



MCMUA Board Meeting Packet

October 13, 2026 Meeting

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TO: MCMUA Board Members

FROM: Marilyn Regner

SUBJECT: **Regular Board Meeting of October 13, 2026 (7:00 p.m. start time)**

Please be informed that the Municipal Utilities Authority's Regular Board Meetings will be held on **Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.** The meeting will be held by both remote communication and in person at the MCMUA Office.

We will be using Web-Ex (<https://www.webex.com>) in which you may use a call in telephone number (see below) which will be available the night of the meeting, 30 minutes prior to start. This phone number will be prominently posted on the MCMUA website (<http://mcmua.com>) at that time.

Webex Telephone Call In Information:

Phone No.: (408) 418-9388 Access Code: 2336 804 3502 (then hit "#")

We will be presenting the meeting material on the website (<http://mcmua.com>) so you can follow along during the meeting and you don't have to fumble around looking for email attachments.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

MR/mr

cc: Commissioner-liaison Tayfun Selen
Brad Carney, Esq.
Larry Kaletcher, Treasurer
Michael McAloon, P.E, MCMUA Water Consulting Engineer (Suburban)



AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 13, 2026

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of the location, date and time of this meeting was made by posting on the MCMUA website, the Morris County Clerk's bulletin board and the officially designated newspapers for the MCMUA. The meeting may be attended in person or through remote communication in conformance with the directives of the State of New Jersey. Additional notice regarding remote public access is provided at the MCMUA entrance, on its website and in the Daily Record.

1. Roll Call
2. Flag Salute
3. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting and Closed Session Minutes of September 15, 2026
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Approval of Vouchers for Payment
 - Resolution No. 2026-086 - Bills
6. Purchasing (No Resolutions and No Consent Agenda)
7. Correspondence
8. Water Engineer's Report
9. Solid, Hazardous and Vegetative Waste Report
 - Resolution No. 2026-087
Resolution Accepting The Work Of Dee-En Electrical Contracting, Inc. For Contract No. 2024-SW01 "Mt. Olive Motor Control Center Improvements"
10. Recycling Report
11. Old Business
12. New Business
13. Public Portion
14. Closed Session
15. Adjournment



Minutes of Previous Meeting
Treasurer Purchasing
Correspondence
Water Engineer
Solid Waste Coordinator
Recycling Coordinator
Closing

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Closing



October 9, 2026

Mr. Christopher Dour
MCMUA Chair

Re: Draft of the Minutes and Closed Session Minutes of the
MCMUA Regular Meeting of September 15, 2026

Dear Chris:

Attached please find a draft of the Minutes and Closed Session Minutes of the MCMUA Regular Meeting of September 15, 2026. If you should have any questions or comments about these Minutes, discussion will be held at the upcoming Meeting of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority.

Very truly yours,

Marilyn Regner
Secretary to the Authority

/mr
Attachments

cc: MCMUA Board Members
Commissioner-liaison Tayfun Selen
Brad Carney, Esq.
Larry Kaletcher, Treasurer
Michael McAloon, P.E.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

September 15, 2026

The Regular Meeting of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority was held on September 15, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the First Floor Conference Room at the MCMUA Offices located at 370 Richard Mine Road, Wharton, New Jersey in person as well as remotely using conference call software.

In accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of the location, date and time of this meeting was made by posting on the MCMUA website, the Morris County Clerk's bulletin board and the officially designated newspapers for the MCMUA. The meeting may be attended in person or through remote communication in conformance with the directives of the State of New Jersey. Additional notice regarding remote public access is provided at the MCMUA entrance, on its website and in the Daily Record.

Chairman Dour requested a roll call.

PRESENT: Mr. Frank Druetzler, Ms. Maria Farris, Mr. Larry Ragonese, Mr. Ron Smith, Ms. Laura Szwak and Mr. Christopher Dour.

(Dr. Dorothea Kominos entered the meeting at 7:02 p.m.)

(Dr. Arthur Nusbaum entered the meeting at 7:03 p.m.)

ABSENT: Mr. James Barry.

Also present were Larry Gindoff, Executive Director; Michael McAloon, Suburban Consulting Engineers; Larry Kaletcher, Treasurer; Marilyn Regner, Secretary; Brad Carney, Esq., Maraziti Falcon LLP; Gabrielle Hartman, Esq., Maraziti Falcon LLP; James Deacon, Solid Waste Coordinator; and Anthony Marrone, District Recycling Coordinator.

Chairman Dour asked for the Board's approval of the August 11, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes and Closed Session Minutes.

MOTION: Ms. Farris made a Motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes and Closed Session Minutes of August 11, 2026, and Mr. Smith seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 5 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: Dr. Dorothea Kominos, Ms. Laura Szwak & Mr. Christopher Dour

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Mr. Kaletcher presented the Treasurer's Report for the Solid Waste Operating and Water Operating for the month of August 2026. Also included are the Comparative Balance Reports for

both Solid Waste and Water Divisions year-to date through August, and the MCMUA Investment Report which shows no new investments were purchased during the month of August 2026.

Chairman Dour asked the Board for a Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report.

MOTION: Mr. Druetzler made a Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and Ms. Szwak seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 8 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Mr. Kaletcher asked for the Board's approval of the following 2026 Budget amendment resolutions:

With regard to Resolution No. 2026-077, Mr. Kaletcher explained that the MUA is utilizing additional Solid Waste fund balance in the amount \$2,050,000 for the following: (i) unforeseen fuel charges billed by J.P. Mascaro that began in April; (ii) the original budget for the Transfer Station overtime is not sufficient for actual costs, increase in tonnage, equipment challenges, and fire watch (iii) equipment-maintenance and lubricant costs.

Mr. Druetzler asked how much was the original overtime that we budgeted for and Mr. Kaletcher replied \$250,000; however, we are asking for an additional \$750,000. Mr. Gindoff gave the following explanation on why this is so much. At the beginning of the year, we were dealing with new equipment along with snowstorms and fire watch for three weeks. We also have been through many Equipment Operators. The gaps in between were significant causing other staff to work longer hours and paying them a lot of overtime. Mr. Deacon added the fire watch continued into January when damage to our sprinkler system couldn't be repaired. Some manpower issues forces us to use our Utilitarians to fill the gap of Heavy Equipment Operator or Jockey Truck Driver and increases overtime. Mr. Gindoff added that we have been brainstorming on how to get staggered shifts. A lot of staff are working 12 hour days. It is difficult to find people to fill these positions. Mr. Deacon added that we also have issues with Case, who we bought the equipment from, as the equipment is under warranty and their company has to repair the equipment and we cannot use our mechanic.

Mr. Druetzler asked \$1.2M is enough for fuel and Mr. Kaletcher replied, yes.

Mr. Druetzler mentioned going into a new operation starting at \$250,000 is a low number and can understand that you would need more money. You all knew this was coming up and it is incumbent to tell the Board that we are having trouble here and we are going to need more money. Ms. Szwak remembers Staff talking about this at the Solid Waste Committee Meeting.

Mr. Deacon mentioned that the biggest disappointment is buying this equipment after our Salem County landfill visit and doing research and asking other transfer stations what they use and looking into the maintenance agreement and comparing costs. There hasn't been one week when Case hasn't been at our facilities fixing our equipment. Bobby Ross told them that we cannot stop; the equipment has to be in working order. This is out of our hands and we are not happy about it. We have been talking with other vendors and we will be talking at the budget meeting of possible changes.

Resolution No. 2026-077
Resolution To Amend The 2026 Fiscal Budget For The
Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority Pursuant To N.J.A.C. 5:31-2.8
Solid Waste Division (Operational Costs)

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:31-2.8 provides that the Director of the Division of Local Government Services may approve an amendment of the budget of any Authority when unrestricted net position is utilized to increase budgeted appropriations; and

WHEREAS, the reasons for this amendment are that Cost of Providing Services appropriations for 2026 are insufficient to cover (i) the J.P. Mascaro fuel-price adjustment authorized by Resolution 2026-061, (ii) Transfer Station overtime and related FICA driven by higher incoming tonnage, equipment challenges, and weather related coverage, and (iii) Transfer Station equipment-maintenance and lubricant costs running above the adopted amounts; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined that an additional Two Million Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$2,050,000) of Solid Waste unrestricted net position should be utilized to increase Cost of Providing Services appropriations in that amount; and

WHEREAS, said Director may approve the amendment of the authority's budgeted appropriations in equal amounts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Morris County M.U.A. hereby requests the Director of Local Government Services to approve the amendment to the 2026 budget as follows:

	From	To	+/-
<u>Anticipated Revenues</u>			
Total Anticipated Revenues	\$59,955,923	\$59,955,923	\$0
<u>Anticipated Appropriations</u>			
Total Administration	\$4,690,034	\$4,690,034	\$0
Total Cost of Providing Svcs.	\$54,863,488	\$56,913,488	\$2,050,000
Total Non-Operating	\$1,469,401	\$1,469,401	\$0
Total Operating & Non-Operating	\$61,022,923	\$63,072,923	\$2,050,000
Total Unrestricted Net Assets Utilized	\$1,067,000	\$3,117,000	\$2,050,000
Net Total Appropriation	\$59,955,923	\$59,955,923	\$0

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority at the Regular Meeting held on September 15, 2026.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Christopher Dour, Chairman

ATTEST:

Marilyn Regner, Secretary

MOTION: Mr. Smith made a Motion to amend the 2026 MCMUA Fiscal Budget for Solid Waste Division (Operational Costs) and Mr. Druetzler seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 8 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

With regard to Resolution No. 2026-078, Mr. Kaletcher explained that the MUA is anticipating approximately 490,000 tons at our transfer stations in 2026. This is higher than 480,000 tons we originally budgeted for. This Resolution recognizes additional contractual costs incurred will be offset by corresponding tipping fee revenue.

Resolution No. 2026-078 Resolution To Amend The 2026 Fiscal Budget For The Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority Pursuant To N.J.A.C. 5:31-2.8 Solid Waste Division (Additional Tonnage Costs and Revenue)

WHEREAS, the Morris County M.U.A. on September 15, 2026 proposed to amend the Solid Waste Division budget to include additional revenue and appropriations due to 2026 additional disposal tonnage activity in the amount of \$863,500, and

WHEREAS, the 2026 Solid Waste Division budget was adopted based on 480,000 tons of transfer-station disposal, and year-to-date activity indicates full-year tonnage of approximately 490,000 tons; and

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:31-2.8 provides that the Director, Division of Local Government Services may approve the amendment of the budget of any Authority or District when there are increases in budgeted revenue with corresponding increases in budgeted appropriations, and

WHEREAS, said Director may approve the amendment of the authority's budgeted revenue and appropriations in equal amounts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Morris County M.U.A. hereby requests the Director of Local Government Services to approve the amendment to the 2026 budget as follows:

<u>Increase Amended Revenue:</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Tipping Fees (Oper. Rev.)	\$54,240,000.00	\$55,103,500.00

<u>Increase Amended Appropriations:</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Transport & Disposal (Transfer St. O&M)	\$37,545,600.00	\$38,327,800.00
NJ Recycling Tax (Transfer St. O&M)	\$ 1,440,000.00	\$ 1,470,000.00
Host Benefit Fees (Transfer St. O&M)	\$ 2,462,400.00	\$ 2,513,700.00

CERTIFICATION

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MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Christopher Dour, Chairman

ATTEST:

Marilyn Regner, Secretary

MOTION: Ms. Szwak made a Motion to amend the 2026 MCMUA Fiscal Budget for Solid Waste Division (Additional Tonnage Costs and Revenue) and Ms. Farris seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 8 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

With regard to Resolution No. 2026-079, Mr. Kaletcher explained for our Water Division we are reallocating budgetary funds in the amount of \$130,000 to the following accounts: Electricity, Increased Water Production and Flanders Valley Well No. 2 being out of service has resulted in \$100,000 to cover the additional electricity costs. Engineering - An Additional \$30,000 is required to cover the redesign of Flanders Valley No, 1 & 2 PFAS treatment facility following Bureau of Water System Engineering comments, including additional treatment trains to provide a full treatment capacity of 4,000 gallons per minute so as not to impact the Authority's allocation limits.

Mr. Druetzler mentioned that the Board should have been made aware of electricity costs.

Resolution No. 2026-079
Resolution To Amend The 2026 Fiscal Budget For The
Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority Pursuant To N.J.A.C. 5:31-2.8
Water Division (Operational Costs)

WHEREAS, N.J.A.C. 5:31-2.8 provides that the Division of Local Government Services may approve the amendment of the budget of any Authority or District when there are decreases in budgeted appropriations with corresponding increases in budgeted appropriations, and

WHEREAS, said Director may approve the amendment of the authority's budgeted appropriations in equal amounts.

WHEREAS, Cost of Providing Services (COPS) appropriations for electricity are insufficient because of increased water production in 2026 and the extended outage of Flanders Valley Well #2, requiring a reallocation to Miscellaneous COPS (Electricity); and

WHEREAS, additional Engineering appropriations are required to cover the redesign of the Flanders Valley #1 and #2 PFAS treatment facility following Bureau of Water System Engineering comments, including additional treatment trains to provide a full treatment capacity of 4,000 gallons per minute so as not to affect the Authority's allocation limits; and

WHEREAS, corresponding decreases in Salaries and Wages – Administration, Liability and Workers' Compensation, and Miscellaneous Administration – Rent are available to offset those increases in equal amount; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Morris County M.U.A. hereby requests the Director of Local Government Services to approve the amendment to the 2026 budget as follows:

<u>Decrease Appropriations:</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Salaries & Wages - Admin.	\$ 333,901.00	\$ 253,901.00
Liability & Workman's Comp.	\$ 161,994.00	\$ 121,994.00
Miscellaneous Admin. (Rent)	\$ 271,824.00	\$ 261,824.00

<u>Increase Appropriations:</u>	<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>
Engineering	\$ 450,000.00	\$ 480,000.00
Miscellaneous COPS (Electricity)	\$ 1,302,800.00	\$1,402,800.00

CERTIFICATION

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MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Christopher Dour, Chairman

ATTEST:

Marilyn Regner, Secretary

MOTION: Ms. Farris made a Motion to amend the 2026 MCMUA Fiscal Budget for Water Division (Operational Costs) and Mr. Druetzler seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 8 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Mr. Kaletcher stated he has the Bill Resolution No. 2026-080 slated for approval after members review the schedule of warrants.

Chairman Dour asked for the Board's approval of the Bill Resolution:

Mr. Druetzler commented on payment of three vouchers. He was not in favor of paying these vouchers. Two of the vouchers for H2M, one on the Water Bill List and one on the Solid Waste Bill List. If they cannot complete a Contract, they shouldn't get paid and I'm voting no.

The other voucher was for Dee-En Electrical Contracting, Inc. on the Solid Waste Bill List. We extended this Contract and they asked for 365 days more. It doesn't make sense to have these projects go over 2 ½ years when they are contracted to do it within 340 days. It doesn't make sense to pay people right away and I'm voting no.

Mr. Gindoff suggested that we pull the payment of these three vouchers from this schedule of warrants and place these three payments on next month's meeting and Mr. Druetzler concurred. After discussion, the Board concurred to table Resolution No.2026-084 for Accepting Work of Dee-En Electrical Contracting, Inc. until the MCMUA's October 13, 2026, Board Meeting.

Bill Resolution No. 2026-080

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the bills as shown on the SCHEDULE OF WARRANTS all having been approved by the Board of officials where legally required, be and the same are

hereby paid. The SCHEDULE OF WARRANTS designated as Bill Resolution No. 2026-080 containing 4 pages for a total of **\$4,529,177.06** dated and made a part hereof by reference.

SUMMARY

CHECK NUMBERS

WATER OPERATING FUNDS	7407-7441	\$ 273,590.60
SOLID WASTE OPERATING	17386-17503	<u>\$ 4,255,586.46</u>
		\$ 4,529,177.06

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that all vouchers listed above have been reviewed and found to be in proper form for payment, and I have compared the SCHEDULE OF WARRANTS to the vouchers for payment and have determined it to be correct.

DATE: September 15, 2026

BOARD CHAIRMAN APPROVAL

Christopher Dour, Chairman

SIGNED: _____
Marilyn Regner, Secretary

TREASURER'S CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that there are sufficient funds in the appropriations charged, or accounts listed to cover the expenditures included in the SCHEDULE OF WARRANTS dated: September 15, 2026.

DATE: September 15, 2026

Larry Kaletcher, Treasurer

MOTION: Mr. Ragonese made a Motion that the vouchers, as amended, be approved for payment and Mr. Smith seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 8 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Chairman Dour asked the Board if they want any Resolutions in the Consent Agenda be addressed separately. There were no resolutions addressed separately.

PURCHASING (Consent Agenda #2026-081 – #2026-083)

Chairman Dour asked for a Board Member to make a Motion to approve purchasing resolutions #2026-081 through #2026-083 as a consent agenda.

Resolution No. 2026-081
Resolution Authorizing the One (1) Year Extension of Contract for
Emergency and On-Call Services With John Garcia Construction Co., Inc.

WHEREAS, on October 9, 2025 the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (the “Authority”) finalized the Contract with John Garcia Construction Co., Inc. to perform Emergency and On-Call Services for Contract No. 2025-W01 – RE-BID for a term of one (1) year, with an option to extend the term of the Contract, to be exercised at the discretion of the MCMUA, for two (2) additional one (1) year periods in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA desires to extend the term of the Contract for the first one (1) year extension; and

WHEREAS, the amount for the first one (1) year extension shall not exceed the contract amount of \$100,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority as follows:

1. The MCMUA finds that the services of John Garcia Construction Co., Inc. are being performed in an effective and efficient manner.
2. The MCMUA authorizes the first one (1) year extension of the existing contract with John Garcia Construction Co., Inc. for the Contract No. 2025-W01 – RE-BID “MCMUA Emergency and On-Call Services”.
3. The Executive Director is hereby authorized and directed to execute any other necessary documentation and to take all other actions necessary or desirable to effectuate the terms and conditions of this Resolution.
4. The Treasurer certifies that Funds are available for this Contract from Budget Line Item 02-6-600-602-324 and a copy of this Resolution shall be submitted to the Authority’s Treasurer and kept on file in the offices of the Authority.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority at the Regular Meeting held on September 15, 2026.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Christopher Dour, Chairman

ATTEST:

Marilyn Regner, Secretary

Resolution No. 2026-082

Resolution of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority Approving a Vendor Service Contract on a ‘Non-Fair and Open’ Basis Pursuant to the ‘Pay-to-Play’ Law Harrington & Sons Inc. (Mount Olive and Parsippany Transfer Stations Paving)

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (“MCMUA”) has a need to acquire a contractor to pave roadways at the, MCMUA Parsippany and Mt. Olive Transfer Stations on a ‘non-fair and open’ contract pursuant to the provisions of the “New Jersey Local Unit Pay-To-Play” Law, P.L. 2004, Chapter 19 (as amended by P.L. 2005, c.51), N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, competitive quotations were solicited in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1; and

WHEREAS, in response to the solicitation of competitive quotations for the Mount Olive and Parsippany Transfer Stations Paving, Harrington & Sons Inc., having a business address of 50 Parker Rd. Chester, NJ 07930 submitted a proposal for the Mount Olive Transfer Station in the amount of \$8,000.00 for the work to be performed; and

WHEREAS, in response to the solicitation of competitive quotations for the Mount Olive and Parsippany Transfer Stations Paving, Harrington & Sons Inc., having a business address of 50 Parker Rd. Chester, NJ 07930 submitted a proposal for the Parsippany Transfer Station in the amount of \$45,000.00 for the work to be performed; and

WHEREAS, Harrington & Sons Inc., quotes were most advantageous to the MCMUA needs, price and other factors considered; and

WHEREAS, the contract to be awarded includes a requirement that the work shall be completed within 240 days from the date of full execution of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the contract to be awarded is further subject to the following:

1. The known or estimated cost of the goods or service to be provided will exceed \$17,500.00;
2. The required Business Entity Disclosure Certification form has been submitted and will be placed on file.
3. The required Political Contribution Disclosure form has been submitted and will be placed on file.
4. The contract will prohibit the vendor from making any reportable contributions through the term of the contract.
5. In lieu of a separate certification of funds, the maximum dollar value of this contract is as set forth in this resolution per N.J.A.C 5:30-5.4 (a) 3.
6. The submission of the Public Works Registration Certificate to be placed on file.

WHEREAS, the MCMUA Treasurer certifies that sufficient funds are available from Budget account number 01-5-900-958-151 for the work to be performed.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority does hereby award and authorize the Executive Director to execute the contract for the work in the proposal from Harrington & Sons, Inc., dated August 19, 2026 as most advantageous, price and other factors considered in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6.1 under a 'non-fair and open' basis:

Vendor Name:	Harrington & Sons Inc.
Cost of Service:	\$53,000.00
Account Number:	01-5-900-958-151

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED as follows:

1. The Executive Director is authorized and directed to execute a contract with Harrington & Sons Inc. for the Mount Olive and Parsippany Transfer Stations Paving based on the 2026 Proposal received by the Authority, available in the offices of the Authority, and incorporated by reference and made part hereof, for a term of 240 days.
2. The Contract is awarded subject to the submission of all insurance certificates required by the Contract, in a form acceptable to the Risk Manager of Morris County, and all other documentation required by the Contract, and shall commence upon the execution of a written Contract by both parties.
3. The MCMUA's staff and consultants are hereby authorized and directed to take all other actions necessary or desirable to fully effectuate the terms and conditions of this Resolution.

4. This Resolution shall take effect as provided by law.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Morris County
Municipal Utilities Authority at the Regular Meeting held on September 15, 2026.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Christopher Dour, Chairman

ATTEST:

Marilyn Regner, Secretary

Resolution No. 2026-083

**Resolution of the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority Authorizing the Purchase
Contracts with Approved ESCNJ Cooperative Pricing System - #65MCECCPS Contract
Hoffman Services Inc.
(Curbside)**

WHEREAS, MCMUA is a party to a cooperative purchasing agreement with the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative Pricing System, a cooperative purchasing program organized pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-10 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.1 et seq. may, by Resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services through the Educational Services Commission of New Jersey Cooperative Pricing System "ESCNJ Cooperative Pricing System", which has been approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA has a need to purchase, on a timely basis, goods or services utilizing the ESCNJ Cooperative Pricing System contracts; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA intends to enter into contracts with the following Referenced ESCNJ Cooperative Pricing System Vendors through this resolution and properly executed contracts, which shall be subject to all conditions applicable to the current ESCNJ Cooperative Pricing System contracts;

Hoffman Services Inc. – Vehicle Service Lifts and Accessories #ESCNJ 24/25-14
\$69,427.98 Line Item #01-3-300-800-151

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the MCMUA authorizes the Qualified Purchasing Agent to purchase certain goods or services from those approved ESCNJ Cooperative Pricing System Vendors on the afore mentioned list, pursuant to all conditions of the individual ESCNJ Cooperative Pricing System contracts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED; that the governing body of the MCMUA pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:30-5.5(b), the certification of available funds, shall either certify the full maximum amount against the budget at the time the contract is awarded, or no contract amount shall be chargeable or certified until such time as the goods or services are ordered or otherwise called for prior to placing the order, and a certification of availability of funds is made by the Treasurer; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the duration of the contracts between the MCMUA and the Referenced ESCNJ Cooperative Pricing vendors shall be from **September 15, 2026 to December 31, 2026.**

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority at the Regular Meeting held on September 15, 2026.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Christopher Dour, Chairman

ATTEST:

By: _____
Marilyn Regner, Secretary

MOTION: Mr. Ragonese made a Motion to approve purchasing resolutions #2026-081 through #2026-083 as a consent agenda and Ms. Szwak seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 8 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Mr. Kaletcher mentioned that budget discussions for 2027 have started and the Budget Committee Meeting will take place the week of October 5, 2026. He will reach out to the Committee members before that time.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Mr. Gindoff mentioned that the only Correspondence this month was from Vincent Beyer of Euclid Chemical regarding Morris County Par-Troy Transfer Station Eucofloor 404 Repairs for surface imperfections on the North Floor Tipping Floor. This matter will be discussed under the Solid Waste Report.

There is no additional correspondence.

CORRESPONDENCE REPORT:

SOLID WASTE

1. 2026-09-02 – Letter to Otto DeJager of Infrastructure Repair Service of Lincoln Park, NJ from Vincent Beyer of Euclid Chemical regarding Morris County Par-Troy Transfer Station Eucofloor 404 Repairs for surface imperfections.

WATER ENGINEER'S REPORT:

Mr. McAloon gave the following updates: (1) We are on pace for being a record year. September, October, November and December remain similar to what we experienced in 2025.; (2) SCE is preparing the updates to the Asset Management Plan, as well as preparation for the Water Division 2027 Budget and Capital Improvement list.; (3) Appreciate everyone passing the resolution extending John Garcia for one year. They continue to perform in an effective and efficient manner on that emergency and on-call contract.; (4) Update on Flanders 1 and 2 generators, all generators have been started up and tested and certifications have been performed. Both are functional and are on stand-by. There are very few punch list items and trying to get that work complete so that we can close-out that contract.; (5) Underground Utilities completed the final milling and paving of the punch list and paving of Phase II of the project. They submitted Payment Application No. 3. They did indicate there is a Change Order for additional paving limits they need to sort through to confirm those quantities. We still anticipate with some of the allowances we have built in the project being at or below the original contract value. Once we get that Change Order, we aim to get them closed out as well.; (6) Dee-En sent a report saying that they completed all of their work; I know not in a timely and efficient manner, but they are done at the Mt. Olive Transfer Station. So we will take this off our list for next month.; (7) Alamatong Wells 4 & 5 Electrical Improvement Project with Sovereign – They continue to get the necessary materials and looking at a start date for Alamatong Well No. 4 and getting on to the next phase of the project. We will be happy to have them move on and get the other wells completed.; (8) Regarding the Mt. Arlington Pump Replacement Project, the contracts have been fully executed. The Contractor does have some lead time on the new pumps. They are looking at January/February based on their current schedule.; (9) A few minor edits and revisions to get back to H2M but we will get those comments to them and anticipate their final report.

Chairman Dour asked how are we with Randolph and Denville with their leaks and Mr. McAloon replied that Randolph continues to be high and the same thing with Denville. He mentioned that Parsippany-Troy Hills is starting a Tank Rehabilitation Project so they are taking a lot more water to satisfy some of those impacts. Theoretically, we could be looking at a very high September/October.

Mr. Druetzler asked if SCE has ever done a leak protection program and Mr. McAloon replied they have used Ecologics. They have overseen a couple scenarios.

Ms. Szwak asked about the Ecologics proposal. Mr. McAloon mentioned that the next step is to schedule a meeting with Ecologics to discuss some costs, roll out the maps and come up with a game plan. Mr. McAloon mentioned that we are trying to make sure that our pipes are not contributing in any way.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Through August 2026 the MCMUA sold approximately 1,254 MG of water—about 119 MG more than the same period in 2025 and 209 MG more than 2024. If the remaining months track 2025, annual sales could exceed 1,800 MG. Pleasant Hill Road Phase II is complete, including the Chester Avenue cross-connection and final paving; Payment Application No. 3 (\$144,857.32) is recommended, with closeout targeted for October. Flanders Valley generator replacements are fully functional, with only minor punch-list items remaining. The Mt. Olive Transfer Station MCC project is complete; final payment and release of retainage (\$10,348.00) will be presented as Resolution 2026-084. Contracts for the Mt. Arlington Pump Replacement are fully executed, with construction expected in January/February 2027. The Board will also consider the first one-year extension of the Emergency and On-Call contract with John Garcia Construction Co., Inc. (Resolution 2026-081).

PROJECT STATUS

1. General System:

- A. Through the month of August 2026, MCMUA sold approximately 1,253.982 MG. This amount is approximately 119.265 MG more than the amount sold in the same time period in 2025 and approximately 208.919 MG more than the amount sold in the same time period in 2024. If the water usage is similar to 2025, for the months of September, October, November and December, the total usage could exceed 1,800 MG.
- B. SCE is preparing the updates to the Asset Management Plan, as well as preparation for the 2027 Water Division Budget and 2027 Capital Improvement List.

2. Emergency and On-Call Contractor:

The MCMUA entered into agreement with **John Garcia Construction Co.**, for the *Emergency and On-Call Contract (No. 2025-W01)* on October 9, 2025. As part of that Contract, the term was for one (1) year, with two (2) one (1) year extensions. John Garcia continues to perform this work in an effective and efficient manner, and we are proposing to extend this contract the first, one (1) year extension. We are prepared to present a Resolution at the meeting extending this Contract.

3. Flanders Valley #1 and #2 Generator Replacements

The final generator start-up, testing and certification has been performed, and both facilities are fully functional and on standby. The Contractor is addressing a few minor punch list items, including the louver operation and grouting a small gap in the housekeeping pad. The goal is for project closeout at the October meeting.

Project Completion Summary Through September 15, 2026

Contract Start Date		May 13, 2024
Original Contract Completion Time		365 Calendar Days
Days Elapsed:	366	100%
Days Remaining:	0	0%
Original Contract Completion Date		May 13, 2025

Project Financial Summary Through September 15, 2026

Original Contract Amount	\$520,798.00
Payment Application #1	\$19,230.54
Payment Application #2	\$34,300.00
Payment Application #3	\$42,605.50
Payment Application #4	\$7,840.00
Payment Application #5	\$369,082.84
Payment Application #6	\$14,084.53
Total Value of Work Complete	\$497,085.11
Percent of Work Complete	95%
Total Retainage to Date	\$9,941.70

4. **Pleasant Hill Road 24-Inch PCCP Retirement – Phase II**

Underground Utilities Corp. has completed the punch list including a temporary shutdown to complete the 8-inch cross connection at Chester Avenue, as well as the final milling and paving of the Phase II portion of the project. It is anticipated that project closeout will occur at the October meeting.

The Contractor has submitted payment application #3, in the amount of ***\$144,857.32***. SCE has reviewed and finds this reflective of the work completed, and recommends processing if all necessary documents are submitted.

Project Completion Summary Through September 15, 2026

Contract Start Date		April 28, 2026
Original Contract Completion Time		120 Calendar Days
Days Elapsed:	120	100%
Days Remaining:	0	0%
Original Contract Completion Date		August 26, 2026

Project Financial Summary Through September 15, 2026

Original Contract Amount	\$1,309,045.00
Total Value of Work Complete	\$1,180,373.83
Payment Application #1	\$877,705.24
Payment Application #2	\$134,203.79
Payment Application #3	\$144,857.32
Percent of Work Complete	90.1%
Total Retainage to Date	\$23,607.48

5. *Mt. Olive Transfer Station Motor Control Center Improvements*

DEE-EN has finalized all outstanding punch list items, and has prepared the closeout documents. SCE is prepared to present the Resolution Accepting Work and Authorizing Final Payment & Release of Retainage. The final payment amount of **\$10,348.00** is recommended.

Project Financial Summary Through September 15, 2026

Original Contract Amount	\$159,900.00
Change Order #2	(\$10,000.00)
Current Contract Amount	\$149,900.00
Payment Application #1	\$7,199.08
Payment Application #2	\$1,715.00
Payment Application #3	\$17,434.20
Payment Application #4	\$57,677.90
Payment Application #5	\$55,525.82
Payment Application #6	\$10,348.00
Total Value of Work Complete	\$149,900.00
Percent of Work Complete	100%
Total Retainage to Date	\$0.00

6. *Alamatong Well #4 and #5 Electrical Improvement Project*

Sovereign Consulting, Inc., has begun the selective demolition at Alamatong Well #4 and #5, and has secured the necessary materials to advance the work at those stations.

The Contractor has submitted payment application #3, in the amount of **\$31,767.26**. SCE has reviewed and finds this reflective of the work completed, and recommends processing if all necessary documents are submitted.

Project Completion Summary Through September 15, 2026

Contract Start Date	March 23, 2026
Original Contract Completion Time	365 Calendar Days
Days Elapsed:	176 48%
Days Remaining:	189 52%
Original Contract Completion Date	March 23, 2027

Project Financial Summary Through September 15, 2026

Original Contract Amount	\$1,225,000.00
Payment Application #1	\$84,280.00
Payment Application #2	\$118,041.00
Payment Application #3	\$31,767.26
Total Value of Work Complete	\$238,865.57
Percent of Work Complete	19.5%
Total Retainage to Date	\$4,777.31

7. Mt. Arlington Pump Replacement

The Contracts have been fully executed, and we are in the process of scheduling the pre-construction meeting. With the lead time on this equipment, it is anticipated that January/February the work will be performed.

8. Water Exploration Engineer

H2M is in the process of finalizing the report for circulation to the team for review and comment. H2M has submitted the next invoice, totaling \$10,386.80. SCE reviewed and finds this reflective of the work completed, and recommends processing. Per discussion with the Board in August, H2M has advised they will be providing the close out report on this project very soon.

Project Financial Summary Through September 15, 2026

Original Contract Amount	\$86,000.00
Total Value of Work Complete	\$72,843.50
Percent of Work Complete	84.7%

SOLID, HAZARDOUS AND VEGETATIVE WASTE REPORT:

Mr. Deacon reported on the following: (1) August was a big month for tonnage at both transfer stations; 8% increase over 2025. Staff did a great job after Labor Day having both stations cleared.; (2) Additional repairs by IRS on the North Tipping Floor in Parsippany have been scheduled for September 24 and 25. Details for those repairs are mentioned in the report.

Chairman Dour asked if this was a quality control issue on their part? Mr. Deacon replied that work done by Persistent outshines the work done by IRS. He explained that this is a different type of material. The product was great, but it is just the quality of work. When Alaimo, Euclid and Persistent met for the final inspection of the work, it was either temperature or didn't put the poly on too soon or not fast enough. They don't have any excuses for the footprints. Mr. Deacon thinks the plan is going to be, just because it is a tipping floor, we should get what we paid for. They are going to start in the Mechanic's Bay #5 and see how the repairs go; if it is causing more problems or damage than we want, we may not do the rest. Chairman Dour asked if we don't do the rest, would we get an extension on a warranty and Mr. Deacon replied that we did ask for that.; (3) Staff is currently working with Alaimo Group on our NJDEP Solid Waste Permit Renewal for the Mt. Olive Station which is set to expire in January 2027.; (4) Staff met with N.J. American Water, Alaimo Group, members from Mt. Olive Township, Voellers and our Fire Marshall's Office on Friday, September 11 for a Pre-Construction Meeting on the extension of the water main along Gold Mine Road. This is scheduled to start on Monday, September 28. We did meet with Alexis from Alaimo and she walked the entire site with us for the next step when we will be getting water into the station.; (5) Regarding HHW Disposal for our CCM Event, the location has been changed from Lot #1 to Lot #9.; (6) Regarding Vegetative Waste, Staff started screening yesterday up at Mt. Olive. Parsippany was completed on Friday, September 11.; (7) Both Heavy Equipment Operators are at Rutgers Compost Certification Course today and tomorrow.; (8) Voellers has started to move some of our wood mulch, especially out of Mt. Olive.; (9) The Vegetative Report shows this year's data keeps increasing over 2025 data and strong in-bound sales kept us moving forward compared to last year.

Chairman Dour asked for a Motion to table Resolution No. 2026-084, Resolution Accepting The Work Of Dee-En Electrical Contracting, Inc. For Contract No. 2024-SW01 "Mt. Olive Motor Control Center Improvements" until the MCMUA's Board Meeting on October 13, 2026.

MOTION: Mr. Smith made a Motion to table Resolution No. 2026-084, Resolution Accepting The Work Of Dee-En Electrical Contracting, Inc. For Contract No. 2024-SW01 "Mt. Olive Motor Control Center Improvements" until the MCMUA's Board Meeting on October 13, 2026 and Mr. Ragonese seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 8 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

Mr. Deacon thanked Mike and Joe of Suburban for the constant oversight on that Project.

Mr. Deacon asked for the Board's approval of the following Resolution No. 2026-085:

Mr. Carney mentioned that the following Resolution needs to be amended as follows:

On Page 1, second to last paragraph needs to be deleted. It reads as follows:
"WHEREAS, the MCMUA filed a Request for a Warrant of Removal on August 26, 2026, which has been executed by the Special Civil Part; and".

Also in the next **WHEREAS** clause, at the end of the first line after the word Possession, “and Warrant of Removal” needs to be deleted.

Resolution No. 2026-085

Resolution Acknowledging Possession Of Block 770, Lots 17, 18 & 19 In The Township Of Parsippany-Troy Hills For The Public Purpose Of The Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority And Exempt From Ad Valorem Real Property Taxes

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (“MCMUA”) is the owner of land located at New Road and Edwards Road, Parsippany-Troy Hills Township, New Jersey, and known as Lots 17, 18 & 19 in Block 770 of the Tax Map of the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills, New Jersey (hereinafter referred to as “the Property”); and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA leased the Property to AJACO Towing, Inc., (“AJACO”) pursuant to a September 2, 2015 lease (the “Lease Agreement” or “Lease”), with said Lease to expire on September 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, via a letter dated September 19, 2024, the MCMUA served a Notice of Termination on AJACO, noting that the Lease was to expire on September 30, 2025 and the MCMUA did not intend to extend the term of the Lease Agreement; and

WHEREAS, AJACO remained on the Property past the expiration of the Lease and rent was not paid to the MCMUA per the Lease Agreement; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Paragraph 10 of the Lease Agreement, AJACO was also responsible for paying any property taxes due to the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills (“Township”); and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA was advised by the Township that property taxes had not been paid by AJACO since 3rd Quarter of 2020 for Block 770, Lot 18 and the 4th Quarter of 2021 for Block 770, Lots 17 and 19 and as a result, Tax Sale Certificates were issued for all three (3) lots (“Certificates”); and

WHEREAS, the Township purchased the Certificates and, in order to prevent further accrual of liens on the publicly owned Property, the MCMUA paid the outstanding tax liens, bringing the taxes on the Property current; and

WHEREAS, after months of attempted negotiations, the MCMUA filed a Verified Complaint (Holdover Eviction) seeking to obtain possession of the property in the Special Civil Part of the Morris County Law Division; and

WHEREAS, on August 20, 2026, the Special Civil Part issued an Order of Disposition and Judgment for Possession after AJACO agreed to a Voluntary Default; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA filed a Request for a Warrant of Removal on August 26, 2026, which has been executed by the Special Civil Part; and

WHEREAS, due to the Order of Disposition, Judgment of Possession and Warrant of Removal, the MCMUA's Property is now solely for the public purpose of the MCMUA, including in connection with MCMUA's adjacent Solid Waste Transfer Station; and

WHEREAS, as a public entity, utilizing the property for a public purpose, the Property is exempt from property taxes owed to the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.3.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey on this 15th day of September, 2026 as follows:

1. Since the date of the Judgment of Possession, the MCMUA's Property, known as Block 770, Lots 17, 18 and 19 in the Township of Parsippany-Troy Hills is now utilized for public purpose of the MCMUA and is therefore exempt from ad valorem real property taxes.
2. The MCMUA's staff and consultants are authorized to take all actions reasonable and necessary to effectuate the terms of this Resolution.
3. This Resolution shall take effect as provided by law.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority at the Regular Meeting held on September 15, 2026.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Christopher Dour, Chairman

ATTEST:

Marilyn Regner, Secretary

MOTION: Ms. Farris made a Motion adopt the following Resolution, as amended, to Acknowledge Possession Of Block 770, Lots 17, 18 & 19 In The Township Of Parsippany-Troy Hills For The Public Purpose Of The Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority And Exempt From Ad Valorem Real Property Taxes and Mr. Druetzler seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 8 NAYES: NONE ABSTENTIONS: NONE

SOLID, HAZARDOUS AND VEGETATIVE WASTE REPORT:

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In August 2026 the MCMUA transfer stations accepted 43,648 tons of solid waste, 8.0% more than August 2025. Full-year 2026 tonnage is now projected at approximately 485,871 tons, a 1.9% increase over 2025. The Parsippany North Tipping Floor is in closeout; Change Order No. 1 work is substantially complete, and surface repairs to the EucoFloor 404 are scheduled for mid- to late September. The Board will consider a paving contract with Harrington & Sons for both transfer stations (Resolution 2026-082), closeout of the Mount Olive MCC project with DEE-EN including final payment of \$10,348.00 (Resolution 2026-084), purchase of four Stertil-Koni mobile lifts for the Curbside Armory (\$69,427.98) (Resolution 2026-083), and acknowledgment that Block 770, Lots 17, 18 and 19 in Parsippany-Troy Hills are now in MCMUA possession for public use and tax-exempt (Resolution 2026-085). HHW activity was strong (424 appointments in August; 2,378 year-to-date). Vegetative waste screening is underway at Parsippany and moves to Mount Olive on September 14; approximately 500 cubic yards of surplus mulch have been sold through the amended Vollers arrangement since August 21.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

In late August, all MCMUA facilities, grounds, and buildings, including the Main Office, were inspected for environmental, health, and safety compliance by Garden State Environmental (GSE). GSE is retained by the Morris County Office of Risk Management to conduct annual inspections of all County facilities. The GSE Health and Safety Specialist who conducted the inspections made several positive comments regarding the improvements that have been made at MCMUA facilities over the past year. Issues identified during the inspections have either been corrected or are actively being addressed in a timely manner. Credit should be given to the Water and Solid Waste Managers and their respective staff for their continued efforts to improve facility conditions and move the MCMUA toward full compliance. Their ongoing attention to environmental, health, and safety requirements has resulted in measurable improvements throughout the organization. A similar inspection was conducted by the Morris County Fire Marshal's Office on September 8, with a greater focus on fire-related codes and regulations. The inspection(s) also resulted in positive outcomes and provided the MCMUA with an additional opportunity to identify and address any remaining compliance issues.

Transfer Station Annual SPPP Training and Inspections- The MCMUA conducted its annual Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SPPP) training and facility inspections at both transfer stations in August. The Parsippany Transfer Station training and inspection was conducted on August 3, beginning at 6:00AM, prior to the start of business. MCMUA onsite staff reviewed the current NJDEP permit and updated SPPP and discussed applicable Best Management Practices (BMPs), including spill response procedures and measures for controlling leachate within the tipping building and the new trench drain system on the North floor. The same training and inspection activities were conducted with Mount Olive Transfer Station staff on August 4. As part of the annual SPPP requirements, members of the MCMUA Pollution

Prevention Team are required to inspect the entire facility to evaluate areas where stormwater is discharged under the authorization of the MCMUA's NJDEP Stormwater Permits. The team must also assess whether the SPPP has effectively eliminated or minimized exposure of source materials to stormwater, whether the plan is being properly implemented, and whether additional measures are necessary to maintain compliance. All annual inspections are documented, and in the event of any identified noncompliance, the inspection report must identify the measures taken or proposed to remedy the issue. Copies of the sign-in sheets documenting the August 3 and August 4 training and inspection events were provided to the respective managers and Suburban Consulting Engineers (SCE) for their records. Following completion of the inspections and training, MCMUA staff submitted the 2026 Annual Certifications for both the Mount Olive and Parsippany Transfer Stations to the NJDEP Division of Water Quality, Bureau of Nonpoint Pollution Control, through the MY.NJ portal.

Transfer Station Paving Improvements- A resolution will be presented to the Board for consideration at its September 15 meeting to authorize a service contract on a "Non-Fair and Open" basis pursuant to the Pay-to-Play Law for paving improvements at the Mount Olive and Parsippany Transfer Stations. Harrington & Sons, Inc. submitted the most advantageous quote for the Mount Olive Transfer Station in the amount of \$8,000.00 and the most advantageous quote for the Parsippany Transfer Station in the amount of \$45,000.00. The proposed paving work will address specific areas at both transfer stations that experience significant wear and tear due to the high volume of trucks and heavy equipment continuously operating on the premises.

TRANSFER STATIONS

Tonnage Summary- The 43,648 tons of solid waste accepted in August 2026 from the two (2) MCMUA transfer stations was 8.00% greater than the 40,413 tons accepted a year ago in August 2025. Following the first eight (8) months of actual disposal data for 2026, it is projected that for all of 2026, a total of 485,871 tons of solid waste will be disposed. This would represent a 1.9% increase over the 477,215 tons accepted in all of 2025. Please refer to the attached Transfer Station Disposal Report by Month and the comparison statistics provided below for additional details.

August Monthly Transfer Station Comparison Statistics (2025 to 2026):

Mount Olive Transfer Station:

Inbound Tonnage- About 16,928- 1,132 more tons than 2025

Total Customers- 4,660- 245 more than 2025

Self-Generated/ Residential Customers- 1,260- 159 more than 2025

Parsippany-Troy Hills Transfer Station:

Inbound Tonnage- About 26,719- 2,103 more tons than 2025

Total Customers- 6,279- 303 more than 2025

Self-Generated/ Residential Customers- 510- 42 fewer than 2025

With tonnage increasing throughout August, MCMUA staff experienced exceptionally heavy volumes on September 8, the Tuesday following the Labor Day holiday. Through the hard work

and dedication of staff, along with an adequate supply of transfer trailers from JP Mascaro and Sons, both facility tipping floors were cleared that evening. A total of 991 tons were processed at Mount Olive, while 1,795 tons were handled at Parsippany.

Solid Waste Professional Engineering Services- MCMUA 2025-2026 planned projects and improvements involving the Alaimo Group (Alaimo), Suburban Consulting Engineers (SCE), and H2M at the two (2) MCMUA transfer stations. Updates will be provided to the Board at the September 15 meeting:

Parsippany-Troy Hills Transfer Station

- The North Tipping Floor/Small Floor project at the Parsippany-Troy Hills transfer station involves the replacement of the top section of the deteriorated floor using Euclid Chemical's EucoFloor 404 system. The scope of work also includes enhancements to and replacement of the existing trench drain system, which currently utilizes the same plasma-cut steel grate system installed at the Mount Olive facility. Additional work includes replacement of the emergency valves that control the underground holding tank, as well as installation of new safety bollards and concrete attenuators to help mitigate future damage to the building. As part of Change Order No. 1 approved at the August 11 Board meeting, Persistent Construction has finished the repair of three (3) damaged curb valves located at the rear of the transfer station that control the floor wash-down hydrants serving the Small Floor and installed approximately 240' linear feet of new "Jersey" barriers to permanently separate Tipping Floor Bay #5 from Bays #6 and #7, which serve as the facility's mechanic service area. The only pending item is the replacement of the two (2) existing emergency shut-off valves serving the Main Tipping Floor with the same upgraded valve configuration installed as part of the North Tipping Floor improvements. As part of the project closeout, on August 28 MCMUA staff met with Alaimo, Persistent, subcontractor Infrastructure Repair Service (IRS), and a representative from Euclid Chemical in regard to surface imperfections of the Eucofloor 404 that was installed several weeks prior. There were several areas with footprints and surface imperfections from the polyethylene sheeting used for the curing process of the 404. The group also observed one area where the material had "sagged" and the 404 was not at the proper thickness. IRS has proposed the following repair procedures to Alaimo and the MCMUA:

- A 30" prep master grinder will be used across the entire floor to remove high spots made by the poly used for curing.
- The area where the material has sagged (approximately 10' by 7') will be addressed as follows:
 - The perimeter will be saw-cut.
 - Repair area will be chipped to a depth of 1".
 - The surface will be sandblasted clean and blown off.
 - The area will receive Euco Floor Epoxy Primer at 60 square feet per gallon and #1 silica sand will be broadcasted to refusal.
 - Excess silica sand will be removed.
 - EUCO 404 will be placed, curing compound applied, and curing sheet applied over the repair.

As far as the footprints, IRS proposed to saw cut, chip to a depth of 1”, repair the area and sandblast, clean and blow off. Application of the Euco Floor epoxy primer at 60 square feet per gallon and #1 silica sand will be broadcasted to refusal, excess silica sand will be removed, and EUCO 404 will be placed, curing compound applied, and curing sheet applied over the repair. MCMUA staff have approved these repairs and are now scheduling with IRS for the weekend of September 11/12 or 25/26 to complete. Additional project updates and discussion will be provided during the Solid, Hazardous, and Vegetative Waste Report at the September 15 Board meeting.

- The Parsippany Scale House Improvement Project- was planned and budgeted for 2026. However, MCMUA staff, with assistance from Treasurer/CFO Larry Kaletcher, determined that the funds dedicated to this project should be redirected to assist with the completion of the Mount Olive Transfer Station Bathroom Alterations and Mezzanine Addition (Breakroom/Shop) Project in 2026. In preparation for the 2027 budget, staff requested that H2M provide pricing for engineering design, bidding, and construction oversight services for the Parsippany Scale House project. H2M met with MCMUA staff on August 27 for a detailed walkthrough of the Scale House. Following the site visit, H2M provided meeting notes documenting the items and scope of work discussed. Based on H2M’s site assessment, the project scope will generally focus on renovating the interior spaces to improve functionality, upgrading finishes throughout the building, replacing doors and windows, addressing exterior repairs, and removing obsolete electrical and utility infrastructure. H2M also noted that several existing systems and components, including the furnace, domestic hot water equipment, lighting, and most mechanical systems, appear to be relatively new and are anticipated to remain in service. The next step is for H2M to develop a proposal for a “Phase 1- Feasibility Study”, which would include a comprehensive existing-conditions assessment, preliminary cost estimate, and schematic design for MCMUA staff review and approval. This phased approach is similar to the process being used for the Mount Olive Transfer Station Breakroom/Shop Project. Following completion of the feasibility study, subsequent design phases would be developed and authorized as appropriate. Staff has confirmed that H2M should proceed with this phased approach. This will provide the MCMUA with a clear understanding of the project scope and anticipated costs and establish a foundation for planning, budgeting, and preparing the project for implementation in 2027.

Mount Olive Transfer Station

- Mount Olive Transfer Station NJDEP Solid Waste Facility Permit Renewal (PI #133624)- With the Mount Olive Transfer Station permit set to expire on January 11, 2027, MCMUA engaged the Alaimo Group to assist with the NJDEP permit renewal process. Staff are currently collecting data and information regarding capital improvements completed over the past five (5) years and providing it to Mr. Tom Cappetti, Environmental Planner for Alaimo Engineering. A major component of the renewal process will be updating the site’s Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Manual to reflect MCMUA’s operation of the facility since taking over operations in mid-December 2025.
- Mount Olive Transfer Station Bathroom Alterations and Mezzanine Addition (Breakroom/Shop)- Proposed improvements include the construction of a dedicated employee break room, renovated restroom and shower facilities, and a new mezzanine-

level locker room within the existing double-height maintenance and garage area (shop) of the Mount Olive Transfer Station building. H2M Architects and Engineers (H2M) had provided the MCMUA with its feasibility report, schematic drawings, and cost opinion for this 2026 budgeted capital improvement project. Staff reviewed and met virtually with the H2M project team in late July, resulting in additional engineering clarification regarding the project's major cost components. H2M subsequently submitted a revised cost opinion reflecting those discussions. H2M has also provided a detailed cost breakdown for construction documents, bidding and permitting, construction administration, and project closeout. Staff have reviewed and approved the proposed scope and costs and authorized H2M to proceed with the next phase of the project.

- **Mount Olive Transfer Station Public Water Service Project-** This project involves the installation of 800 feet of 8" diameter ductile iron concrete lined pipe necessary for 2" domestic service/ 8" fire service along Gold Mine Road to provide domestic water service and fire protection to the Mount Olive Transfer Station. Alaimo Group is working with MCMUA staff and the Morris County Fire Marshal's Office on the next stage of the project- finalizing the design of the fire pump and completion of the plans and specifications for the service connections phase of this project into the station.

Remaining Time Frame from NJAW on the Main Extension process:

20. Preconstruction meeting scheduled for Friday, September 11 at 1:00PM, onsite at the Mount Olive Transfer Station (Gold Mine Road)- MCMUA, NJAW Co, Vollers (contractor), Alaimo Group, Mount Olive DPW, Health Department, and Fire Official, and the Morris County Fire Marshal's Office.
21. NJAW contractor to install mains. (Potential start date of Monday, September 21)
22. NJAW will test and place in service.

For steps 21-22 Depends on scope of the project.

23. Developer to contact customer service to install meter.

- The **Motor Control Center (MCC) Improvement Project** with DEE-EN Electrical Contracting, Inc. (DEE-EN)- DEE-EN completed the punch list items provided by SCE at the end of August. As a result, a resolution will be presented to the Board for consideration at its September 15 meeting to accept the completed work and authorize final payment. Included with the resolution for project closeout will be Payment Recommendation No. 6 to DEE-EN in the amount of \$10,348.00, as well as Change Order No. 2, which represents a reconciliation of unused line items and a three hundred ninety-eight (398)-day time extension associated with delays in equipment production.

Formerly Leased to Ajaco Lots: Following the August 20, 2026 Order of Disposition and Judgment for Possession, and execution of the Warrant of Removal, the MCMUA is in sole possession of Block 770, Lots 17, 18 and 19 in Parsippany-Troy Hills (New Road and Edwards Road), adjacent to the transfer station. Resolution 2026-085, to be presented to the Board for its consideration of approval, acknowledges that the property is now used solely for a public purpose and is therefore exempt from ad valorem real property taxes pursuant to N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.3.

CURBSIDE RECYCLING

MCMUA staff continue to work to improve the grounds in and around the Curbside Recycling facility. The fence line has been straightened and reset, and the gravel lot has been graded. The interior of the maintenance garage was also cleaned and organized in preparation for the GSE and Fire Marshal inspections referenced above. Staff will be working with SCE to evaluate a potential improvement project to pave the equipment and truck lot inside the fence line. These improvements would ideally include a large concrete pad extending the length of the building to safely store containers and roll-offs without damaging the new asphalt. As a result of the GSE inspection, staff researched a safer and more efficient method for lifting heavy equipment for

necessary repairs. The Stertil-Koni Earthlift uses less energy while providing the strength, speed, and power required for heavy-duty lifting. These mobile hydraulic units have a lifting capacity of 22,000 pounds per column and a maximum lifting height of 73 inches. Because the units are mobile, they can also be transported to other MCMUA facilities for use as needed. A resolution will be presented to the Board for consideration at its September 15 meeting to purchase four (4) Stertil-Koni Earthlift Model ST1085-2FRA mobile hydraulic units for a total cost of \$69,427.98.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) MANAGEMENT

Program Participation- During the month of August 2026, the permanent Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Facility serviced a total of 424 appointments. This included 382 Morris County residents, 6 Very Small Quantity Generators (VSQGs)/small businesses, and 36 out-of-county residents. For comparison, in August 2025, the HHW Facility serviced 329 total appointments, consisting of 294 Morris County residents, 3 VSQGs/small businesses, and 32 out-of-county residents. Overall, August 2026 saw an increase of 95 appointments (approx. 29%) compared to August 2025. Year-to-date, through the first eight (8) months of 2026, the HHW facility has serviced 2,378 appointments, including 2,173 Morris County residents. This represents a significant increase in participation, with the facility having processed 480 more customers year-to-date than during the same period in 2025. The facility also completed a large hazardous waste shipment through MXI Environmental Services on August 11. The shipment consisted of 38,780 pounds of chemicals and other unacceptable hazardous materials, preventing these materials from being placed on the tipping floors or ultimately disposed of in the landfill. MXI subsequently scheduled another full hazardous waste shipment for Tuesday, September 8, which totaled 22,800 pounds. These manifested shipments highlight the continued importance of the HHW program in safely managing hazardous materials and diverting them from the transfer station tipping floors and the solid waste stream.

REMINDER- Due to a scheduling conflict with the CCM, **the MCMUA HHW Event location is being moved from Parking Lot #1 to Parking Lot #9**- Saturday, September 26, 2026, at the County College of Morris (CCM), 214 Center Grove Road in Randolph, New Jersey 07869, 9:00AM to 2:00PM.

VEGETATIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT

MCMUA is currently working through its Shared Services Agreement with the Parsippany Forestry Department to schedule the rental of its Diamond Z brush grinder. Parsippany's grinder has been undergoing repairs throughout the summer and should soon be available for use. Once operational, the grinder will allow both MCMUA Vegetative Waste facilities to process the accumulated wood chips and brush received following the heavy storm systems in July and August. Staff successfully rented a Phoenix 3300 Trommel Screener from Emerald Equipment to complete the fall screening of compost at both facilities. Although the screener arrived in Parsippany on August 24, equipment issues delayed the start of site screening until August 28. Once operational, staff processed approximately 623 cubic yards (CY) in seven (7) hours. Program Manager Stephen Adams worked with staff to operate extended hours and a Saturday to make up for the lost time. As of the writing of this report, Parsippany Vegetative Waste staff continue to screen material, generating an average of approximately 650 CY per day. All unscreened compost onsite has now made a first pass through the machine, and staff have begun rescreening the overs/tailings to recapture as much usable material as possible before the remaining material is hauled for disposal at our transfer station. Arrangements have been made to transport the screener to Mount Olive on Monday, September 14, so screening can commence at that facility.

On August 25, the MCMUA Vegetative Waste Program collaborated with Ms. Sophia Forstmann, a soil scientist at Stanford University, who is completing a nationwide research project analyzing circular nutrient flows and compost properties at facilities throughout the United States. Ms. Forstmann selected the Parsippany Vegetative Waste Facility as a representative facility for Northern New Jersey and requested to collect samples for analysis. The data will remain anonymous if the research is ultimately published, and Ms. Forstmann has agreed to share the results with MCMUA upon completion of the study.

MCMUA continues to work with Suburban Consulting Engineers (SCE) on the development of stormwater management plans for both sites, as well as the design of the proposed bin-block and loading ramp projects. Program Manager Stephen Adams will be coordinating the next steps with SCE. Heavy Equipment Operators Joseph Furey and Justin Buller will attend the Rutgers–New Jersey Compost Operator Certification Course on September 15 and 16. The Mount Olive Vegetative Waste staff, led by Supervisor Keil Klaver, completed the site drainage project on August 27. Keil utilized a rental excavator to install 20 feet of 30-inch-diameter culvert pipe underneath the main driveway leading into the facility. The pipe was then buried beneath a layer of rip rap and covered to maintain a uniform road surface for municipal and commercial customers. This enhanced drainage system should help prevent erosion of the main driveway during heavy rainfall events, which has historically been an issue at the facility.

Vollers has begun sending walking-floor trailers to the Mount Olive facility to transport bulk sales of wood mulch, with approximately 70 CY shipped per load. A total of 500 CY of mulch has already been sold through this arrangement since August 21. Sales of this surplus material through HVI (Vollers) will continue even during the off-delivery season. Additional information regarding vegetative waste material flow is provided in the Vegetative Waste Report being presented at the September 15 meeting.

RECYCLING REPORT:

Mr. Marrone reported on the following:

Recycling Market and Operations Report Update

In August, the rate for Single-Stream Recycling at Republic Services was finalized at a (Negative) \$82.03/ton, representing a \$ 0.27/ton increase in value from the July rate.

In August and early September, Northeast US recycling markets showed a clear divide: fiber and metals stayed resilient, while plastics faced major price and infrastructure challenges.

The plastics market is under downward pressure due to bearish trends, supply surpluses, and declining virgin resin prices from oversupply of cheap imports. PET bale prices are low, and infrastructure issues are worsened by domestic mill closures and high transport costs, continuing to drop as of today.

Today, I attended our County Recycling Coordinator Meeting, where we discussed lowering recycled resin rates and NJDEP looking into easing recycled-content percentage requirements under the NJ recycled content law. This consideration was prompted by manufacturers' concerns over difficulties sourcing quality materials in the required quantities. Consequently, ANJR and the CRCs will hold a meeting to address these issues.

On fiber, prices continue to rise for both OCC and paper, driven by domestic demand and seasonal factors like back-to-school and holiday inventories.

Scrap metals like steel and aluminum remain steady, supported by high demand and limited export options.

The 2026 Northeast recycling outlook shows varied recovery but is expected to continue the same pace.

Shared Service Agreement Updates:

Drafts of shared service agreements for The Town of Boonton - Curbside and Depot Collection SSA Renewal, along with the Township of Washington's First Amendment to Depot Collection, are with those towns for their consideration.

Highlights for August are as Follows:

Regarding Our Food Waste Recovery, Redirection, and Recycling Efforts and Education:

As you know, well before the County Food Waste Planning Law was signed in January, we have been working hard to reduce food waste sent into the waste stream from our generators.

- In August, we published our *Morris County Food Rescue Solutions Report*.

- The report summarizes research and interviews by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority from December 2024 to April 2026, involving stakeholders in Morris County's food donation sector. It provides an overview of the current food rescue situation from insights of food assistance organizations, grocery stores, farms, food producers, and other relevant parties.
- Copies of an informational flyer, which will lead you to the report, as well as several other of our educational efforts, are on the table.
- We have also been updating our food waste landing page on our website with additional educational information, and the first flyer in the packet will lead you there.
- Regarding education, I have been collaborating with the NJDEP and NJDA to develop multiple guidance documents and compliance advisories. These focus on composting farms, feeding excess food to animals, establishing drop-off programs for food waste recycling at municipal depots, and organizing food waste pickups with micro haulers. Additionally, I have conducted educational sessions on these topics.

Regarding our Fall Meetings:

The Planning Division has been working on preparing for its fall slate of meetings.

- Our Annual Clean Communities Coordinator Meeting is tomorrow at Kean Skylands.
- The meeting brings together coordinators from Morris County and area stakeholders, and will focus on our Morris County Program, updates, resources, and feature speakers presenting on litter prevention, illegal dumping, and enforcement, along with education on water pollution prevention, as well as the new skip the stuff law.
- We have also created new educational resources for coordinators for the upcoming grant cycle, which we will share at the meeting.
- The meeting is currently capped at 50 seats and has a waitlist.

Fourth MRC Meeting:

On September 23, the MCMUA hosts its fourth MRC meeting, involving five counties: Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Morris, and Passaic at the NJSEA in Lyndhurst.

- Speakers include the NJDEP, which will discuss updates on the new County Food Waste Planning Law/Tiered Composting, the Scrap Tire Recycling Law, E-Waste Reporting Forms, and the 'Skip the Stuff' (Cut the Cutlery) Campaign.
- There will also be updates on recycling markets and legislation, ANJR updates, a presentation from the Flooring Foundation about its new recycling facility in Somerset County, information on food waste recycling programs from Montclair and Leonia Townships, and a report from the Meadowlands Environmental Commission on school field trips and programs, followed by a tour of the Environmental Center grounds led by their onsite teaching staff.

Fifth MRC Meeting:

On October 21, the MCMUA will host its fifth MRC meeting, which will include tours of the MCMUA's Mount Olive Transfer Station, Household Hazardous Waste Facility, and Mount Olive Vegetative Waste Recycling Facility.

2026 MCMUA Recycling Enhancement Mini-Grant Program

- We have been in touch with all five of last month's grant recipients, and they are all hard at work on their projects. We have also been in touch with several other towns who reached out to us after learning about the awards, as well as reaching out to others to gauge participation in a new round of grants.
- So far, Andrea is working with two other towns who are writing up letters of interest now
 - Rockaway Borough (interested in a Styrofoam recycling depot with Long Hill)
 - Chatham Township (interested in a food waste drop-off program at its DPW yard).
- As well as two others who are going to meet to come up with a project: Kinnelon and Chatham Borough.

MCMUA and MCDPH Collaborations:

- Tomorrow I will be presenting at the New Jersey Association of County and City Health Officials quarterly meeting.
- The forum will bring County and City Officials across the state together and allow this group to learn about legislation that will directly affect their operations.
- I will speak on the new County Food Waste Planning Law, its requirements, and how these groups can support their municipal counterparts in achieving state goals, as food donation will play a crucial role in the state's broader objectives.

NJDEP 2023 Recycling Grant Awards & Rates, Morris County Update

- Following last month's report on our letters to Morris County municipalities about recycling rates, awards, and efforts with the Municipal Tonnage Grant Program, we've received positive feedback from coordinators and towns.
- Some of our coordinators were recognized at their council meetings; others were featured in the town's newsletter, received recognition from their governing body, and one was awarded a plaque and proclamation recognizing their efforts.

Lastly, I have included our Fall 2026 Newsletter, which focuses on Morris Plains this quarter. If you would like that in print format.

RECYCLING REPORT:

Executive Summary

In August 2026, the finalized single-stream recycling tip fee at Republic Services was negative \$82.03 per ton, \$0.27 more favorable than July's finalized rate of negative \$82.30. Fiber and metals remained firm while plastics stayed weak. Shared-service drafts for Boonton (curbside/depot renewal) and Washington Township (scrap-metal container amendment) are with those municipalities for review. The 2024 Recycling Enhancement Act grant was formally closed

on September 1, and the 2025 REA agreement was signed and returned to NJDEP. Staff convened a September 2 NJDEP/NJDA/MCDPH forum on food-waste recycling compliance, with a follow-up set for September 29. Five Environmental Commission mini-grant projects are underway, and additional municipalities have requested support. Upcoming coordinator events include the Clean Communities meeting on September 16 and the five-county MRC meeting on September 23.

Recycling Market and Operations Report Update

In August, the finalized single-stream recycling rate with Republic Services was negative \$82.03 per ton, a \$0.27 increase from the previous month's finalized rate of negative \$82.30 per ton.

In August and early September, recycling markets in the Northeast US saw a clear split across commodity types in our sector. Fiber and metals remain resilient domestic assets, while plastics face severe pricing and infrastructure headwinds.

The post-consumer plastics market is facing significant downward pressure due to bearish trends and supply surpluses. This is mainly caused by decreasing virgin resin prices and structural bottlenecks. Polyethylene Terephthalate (PET) bale prices have remained around 2-3 cents per pound, below summer peaks and inconsistent with seasonal beverage sales increases. Infrastructure problems worsened the drop through a domino effect after domestic PET mill closures created localized oversupply. Combined with high regional diesel and freight costs, many brokers struggle to economically transport heavy, low-value plastic bales from the Northeast to distant converters. Tariffs between the U.S. and Canada, along with retaliatory actions, are expected to influence recycled plastics markets and resin demand, especially if production costs increase. Ongoing trade uncertainties and regulatory changes can disrupt supply chains, even with exemptions for raw recycled plastics. Elevated tariffs on finished products and molds could raise operating costs, encourage local sourcing, limit export opportunities for recycled resins, and diminish their market value.

On paper and fiber pricing, the upward trend in fiber grades continues to stabilize our single-stream rate this month, consistent with previous months. The average price for Old Corrugated Containers (OCC) increased by \$5 per ton this month and again in September, marking a pattern that started in January. This rise has been driven by steady domestic mill demand as manufacturing shifts toward higher incorporation of recycled fibers. Sorted Residential Papers also experienced similar increases, beginning in June. The main factors behind August's stable fiber prices include seasonal influences like back-to-school production, along with containerboard mills increasing inventory ahead of fall and holiday shipping.

Scrap metals like steel and aluminum remain steady, supporting a resilient, balanced market. These commodities have maintained a quiet yet notably strong position, shielding operators from the declines seen in plastics. Used beverage containers have been priced high, around 100 cents per pound since May, supported by the high seasonal demand for canned drinks through late summer. Steel cans also stayed strong, averaging \$207.50 per ton during this period. In terms of trade dynamics, August scrap transactions were mostly balanced. Limited export

opportunities and summer mill maintenance restricted large volume increases, but low domestic mill inventories helped sustain firm prices for scrap steel and aluminum.

The 2026 outlook for Northeast recycling shows a varied recovery. Seasonal manufacturing, ESG targets, and economic stabilization will drive mixed material performance. Plastics may bottom out and stay flat through Q4. Regional projects like Republic Services' Pennsylvania Polymer Center, expected to be operational by early 2027, could support baseline throughput and stabilize prices, helping meet corporate PCR goals and support pricing. Fiber remains strong, with OCC likely to rise again in late 2026, aided by clearer trade tariffs and stable logistics. Domestic paper mills seek clean fiber, and Q4 holiday e-commerce boosts demand for residential paper, maintaining regional prices. Metals may slow after Labor Day as beverage container supply drops, but high domestic mill inventories keep prices stable, offsetting declining plastic margins.



Monthly MCMUA single-stream recycling tip fees at Republic Services.

Ongoing Shared Service Agreements and Contract Activities

In August, Marrone and Chavanne continued follow-up conversations and completed edits to existing drafts of shared service agreements for the following towns and their respective contracts, which now rest with those municipalities for their consideration:

- *Town of Boonton - Curbside and Depot Collection SSA Renewal.*
- *Township of Washington First Amendment to Depot Collection SSA – Scrap Metal Container Addition.*

Recycling/Clean Communities Education, Inspections, and Customer Service Support

Below are summaries of Recycling and Clean Communities' projects, public outreach, and education programs in August 2026. Details regarding these activities are provided in a supplemental report.

Recycling and Clean Communities Projects, Public Outreach, Education, and Inspections:

- MCMUA and the New Jersey Association of New Jersey Recyclers (ANJR) Joint Efforts
- MCMUA Conducts Research on Food Waste and Strategically Plans Its Future Initiatives
- MCMUA Sponsored Internship with Morris County's Higher Learning Institutions

- MCMUA Attends the Rockaway Borough Night Out Event
- MCMUA Attends the Tri-Town Night Out Event
- MCMUA Attends the NJDEP Sustainability Speaker Series (S3) on Restaurant Sustainability
- MCMUA Assists with Education and Compliance for Curbside Recycling in Hanover Township
- MCMUA Hosts In-Person MRC Recycling Facility Tours for its Coordinators and Partners
- MCMUA & MCDPH Recycling Education and Inspections
- Solid Waste Planning Division Assignment Update
- MCMUA Attends NJ Food Waste Reduction & Composting Webinar
- MCMUA Recycling Public Outreach Educational Materials and Efforts
- MCMUA Attends the Rutgers Certified Recycling Professionals Course
- MCMUA Updates its Online Public Decal Order Form

Solid Waste Planning Activities and Special Projects

MCMUA, NJDEP, and NJDA Work to Create Food Waste Recycling Regulatory Education:

After the new County Food Waste Planning Law was signed in January, Marrone began researching existing and upcoming food waste recycling and composting regulations. He communicated with fellow County Coordinators and State Agencies to develop a guidance document that clarifies the current regulatory framework and fosters better collaboration across statewide partners. The launch of our mini-grant program for municipal environmental commissions further raised additional questions about compliance, expanding drop-off sites, managing micro haulers servicing these sites and residential pickups, and appropriate locations for disposal of collected materials. As these questions arose, along with our on-the-ground observations and in the absence of clear state guidance, Marrone engaged with officials from the NJDEP's Division of Sustainable Waste Permitting Bureau, Bureau of Recycling, Bureau of Solid Waste Planning and Licensing, and the Bureau of Solid Waste and Compliance & Enforcement to understand relevant regulations and permitting requirements. Additionally, he consulted the NJ Department of Agriculture's Division of Agricultural and Natural Resources and Division of Animal Health to discuss current rules under the "Right-to-Farm Act," NJ Farmland Preservation Program, and regulations concerning food waste on farms and feeding food scraps to animals. Marrone also coordinated with colleagues in Middlesex County, Rutgers, and the NJ Composting Council to include findings in the County Food Waste Planning Guidance Document being developed for NJDEP. These discussions revealed that the state has limited awareness of the extent of on-the-ground food waste activities, especially municipal food waste drop-off programs and their growing popularity, which is problematic as these sites are expanding beyond municipal depots into town-owned and private business locations. Town administrators have requested clearer guidance on these matters from the MCMUA, which Marrone has communicated to these state agencies. Additionally, the growth of food waste recycling revealed that a micro hauler in our area was collecting material and delivering it to an unpermitted farm for onsite composting, where excess food scraps were fed to animals without proper permits. This situation creates

regulatory and animal health-related issues for the NJDA, as clear, up-to-date guidance for operating in this space is lacking.

Based on these findings and after multiple discussions with each group, it became clear that both Departments need to collaborate, meet, and unify their efforts to thoroughly understand the current food waste recycling operations in the field. This involves creating clear educational materials on how to operate in this space and amending New Jersey's regulatory framework to support or bar certain efforts if the Counties are to work toward adhering to their state-mandated food waste recycling goals. Consequently, on September 2, Marrone organized a large forum with representatives from both Departments, along with our Morris County Division of Public Health and MCMUA. Marrone opened the meeting by thanking everyone for participating in the collaboration and focusing on clear, concise education for our municipal and county partners. He also addressed current issues and needed clarifications regarding food waste recycling, sharing observations from MCMUA and MCDPH over recent years. Each department contributed its expertise, leading to a discussion on how to improve each program. At the end of the meeting, it was communicated that the NJDEP and NJDA will establish a working group and communicate throughout the month to develop a compliance advisory for release in October. A second large forum meeting is scheduled for September 29 to review the state's progress and realign efforts. Additionally, the Director and Assistant Director of the Division of Sustainable Waste Management will present at the September 15 County Recycling Coordinator Meeting to update the group on our initiatives.

Recycling Enhancement Act (REA) Tax Grant Submission Updates:

In August, Marrone and Chavanne finalized last year's REA Grant (2024) by submitting the final deliverables and financial documents to NJDEP. Although MCMUA completed our grant before the 2025 deadline, the process follows the State's slower pace, with sections opening for submission, review, and closeout, making it lengthy. As a result, the MCMUA's REA Grant was officially closed and filed on September 1, 2026, and we received an official letter for our records. Still, MCMUA's consistent pace and prompt reporting keep us ahead of many counties, which are still several years behind in their reporting.

Regarding the 2025 REA Grant application, we submitted it before the June 17 deadline. After review, we received the grant agreement back for signature and signed it on August 5. It is now with NJDEP for their signature to finalize the agreement before their finance office can process a payment to us. Once completed, MCMUA will begin submitting our first 6-month grant status and financial reports. Although the NJDEP review process has improved, the initial application release for the grant period was significantly delayed. NJDEP hopes to send checks to counties next month, an improvement over last year. A detailed update will be provided at the September 15 County Recycling Coordinator Meeting.

MCMUA MRC and CCC Future Meeting Planning:

In August, the MCMUA Solid Waste Planning Team worked to finalize the details of their upcoming coordinator meetings as follows:

MCMUA Plans for its Fourth MRC Meeting of the 2026 Calendar Year:

In August, Marrone continued planning for the upcoming fourth MRC meeting, involving five counties: Bergen, Essex, Hudson, Morris, and Passaic. The regional recycling coordinator meeting is scheduled to take place again at the NJSEA, located at 1 DeKorte Park Plaza in Lyndhurst, NJ 07071, in the auditorium of the former environmental center. This year's event is set for Wednesday, September 23, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM. During that time, Marrone held several follow-up discussions with the other county coordinators to confirm speakers and finalize the agenda. The MCMUA also handles all paperwork, state-mandated summaries, and cataloging for the event, as well as applying for credits for its participation in this meeting. Confirmed speakers include the NJDEP, which will discuss updates on the new County Food Waste Planning Law/Tiered Composting, the Scrap Tire Recycling Law, E-Waste Reporting Forms, and the 'Skip the Stuff' (Cut the Cutlery) Campaign. There will also be updates on recycling markets and legislation, ANJR updates, a presentation from the Flooring Foundation about its new recycling facility in Somerset County, information on food waste recycling programs from Montclair and Leonia Townships, and a report from the Meadowlands Environmental Commission on school field trips and programs, followed by a tour of the Environmental Center grounds led by their onsite teaching staff. With the recycling coordinators from two other counties leaving their positions in late August and early September, Bergen's coordinator retired, and Hudson's coordinator moved to a different role, Morris will be taking point in leading the event activities and ensuring a successful event. A last-minute preparation meeting is scheduled for September 14 to ensure all speakers are prepared and that PowerPoints and educational materials are provided before the event for use at the meeting.

MCMUA Plans for its Annual Clean Communities Coordinator Meeting:

In August, Chavanne focused on finalizing educational materials, meeting details, and specifications for the upcoming Morris County Clean Communities Coordinator meeting. Set for Wednesday, September 16, at Kean Skylands Campus in Oak Ridge, NJ, the event will include an overview of the Morris County Program, updates, related resources, a review of the revised website, a campus tour, and discussions on its history and educational programs. Several speakers will present, such as Q-Star Technologies on anti-littering and illegal dumping prevention, GOATOTE on their reusable bag initiative, the New Jersey School of Conservation on water pollution prevention, and the Kean University Students Sustainability Squad on their outreach and sustainability projects. Additionally, Chavanne created new educational resources for our coordinators for the upcoming grant cycle, which she will share at the meeting. In addition to opening the meeting to our Morris County coordinators, we also opened it to fellow county coordinators across the state to increase education within our group. As a result, the meeting now has a waitlist, as the venue can hold only 50 people.

MCMUA Plans for its Fifth MRC Meeting of the 2026 Calendar Year:

In August, Marrone began planning the final MRC meeting of the year, scheduled to include tours of the MCMUA's Mount Olive Transfer Station, Household Hazardous Waste Facility, and Mount Olive Vegetative Waste Recycling Facility. These visits aim to give MRCs and municipal partners a clearer understanding of MCMUA operations and how each site handles waste and recycling. The meeting will also include training to ensure participants are well informed

about operations, enabling them to help residents with questions about these programs after seeing them in action.

2026 MCMUA Recycling Enhancement Mini-Grant Programs for Environmental Commissions:

After last month's Recycling Enhancement Mini-Grant Program for Environmental Commissions announcement for five of our Morris County towns, the grant awardees have been hard at work on their waste diversion goals. Many have already begun efforts, while others have completed planning and moved into implementation. As a reminder, the 2026 Waste Reduction and Recycling Mini-Grant recipients are:

- **Mendham Borough** – Residential Food Waste Collection Program
- **Mendham Township** – Plastic Film Recycling Pilot Program & Backyard Composting Training and Starter Kit Program
- **Morris Township** – Residential Food Waste Collection and Drop-off Pilot
- **Morristown** – Residential Food Waste Collection and Drop-off Pilot
- **Rockaway Township** – CCTV Cameras for its Curbside Recycling Trucks to monitor for recycling contamination and provide proper recycling education practices to residents.

Throughout August, Marrone consistently checked in with recipients to provide guidance and support. Dolan also worked with the Morristown and Morris Township Environmental Commissions during this time to answer questions and provide regulatory insights to support further program growth. Several municipalities, upon learning about these grants last month, contacted the MCMUA to ask about additional grant options. In response, Marrone and Dolan worked together to contact other county municipalities about mini-grant opportunities, focusing efforts and funding on four additional grants for applicants with innovative project ideas. These towns include Denville, Rockaway Borough, Kinnelon, Chatham Borough, and Chatham Township. Rockaway Borough is most enthusiastic, planning a Styrofoam recycling pilot with Long Hill, and Chatham Township aims to start a food waste drop-off program at its DPW yard. Dolan remains engaged with other Environmental Commissions and Green Teams across the County to explore potential partnerships and set shared goals.

Solid Waste Planning and Curbside Operations Work on Recycling Collection Dates & Calendars:

In August, the Solid Waste Planning and Operations Team started updating its annual collection calendar for contract partners. They first review major holidays, compare them with affected collection days, and collaborate with Operations to identify suitable make-up days within the current schedule. They also assign union blackout days when Operations cannot schedule time off, especially during busy periods affected by holiday make-up days on previously lighter workdays. These dates, approved by the MCMUA, are pending confirmation of the County of Morris work calendar for 2027, which is expected at the end of September or early October before finalizing and publishing. Meanwhile, the Planning Division has begun updating municipal and



partner collection calendars for distribution to them and other media outlets, such as the Town Planner. Although many requestors use our calendar, as noted to the right, others incorporate our dates into their own calendars, often requesting these dates as early as October.

Municipalities outside our collection service area, such as Montville and Mountain Lakes, have asked the MCMUA to help develop their own collection calendars for residents. The MCMUA provided these towns with a draft version of its calendar via CANVA and collaborated directly with their MRC within the document to make revisions, enhance visibility, and support

educational efforts. This partnership aims to make the recycling process more engaging for residents outside our service contract and increase overall curbside recycling rates.

Solid Waste Planning Division Develops its End-of-Year and 2027 Calendar Year Plan:

In August and September, the Division completed its 2026 end-of-year budget and outlined its 2027 calendar, covering special projects, grant commitments, regulatory outlooks, and shared service obligations. This includes plans to close the 2025 REA grant and the Division's environmental development operating line, along with the remaining 2026 Clean Communities Grant, active until June 2027. For special projects, the MCMUA intends to distribute mini-grants for municipal recycling improvements and school food waste reduction and offers educational courses such as "Teach-the-Teacher" on food waste prevention and composting, Recycling Ambassador courses, and trainings for recycling and clean communities coordinators. Additionally, the Division developed 2027 projections, revenue estimates, and billing forecasts, factoring in equipment costs for both anticipated and unforeseen shared service requests, as well as potential revenue from collection agreements and billing rates for the Finance Division.

MCMUA and MCDPH Collaborations:

In August, MCMUA developed a food waste presentation and educational materials for the 2026 NJACCHO webinar, which will be held on September 17. The forum will bring County and City Officials across the state together and allow this group to learn about legislation that will directly affect their operations. As a result, the MCMUA and MCDPH worked together to tailor this event, emphasizing the new County Food Waste Planning Law, its requirements, and how these groups can support their municipal counterparts in achieving state goals, as food donation will play a crucial role in the state's broader objectives. In our segment, Marrone will highlight Morris County's food waste initiatives and upcoming projects. We will also provide a voluntary food waste survey and educational materials to local businesses during their annual license renewal, including information on legislation, the benefits of donation, waste-reduction tips, and a section for recycling/donation details. The aim is to integrate the survey and educational materials into the retail food license renewal process, with completed surveys submitted back alongside the renewal application. This data will then be shared with the Municipal Recycling Coordinator to report on food waste recycling, boost recycling rates, and support grant opportunities. Even if businesses don't return the survey, they will receive information on the benefits of donation and relevant educational resources. In addition to MCMUA's presentation, we invited the food rescue organization "Share My Meals," which connects donors of excess food with recipients in need, so it doesn't go to waste. This group will present on their work with the

Meal Recovery Coalition, a statewide coalition of organizations that bring together cross-sector leaders with a shared goal: making meal recovery the norm in New Jersey. They will discuss their recently created New Jersey Food Donation Guidance Document for use with this group as it relates to their efforts.

Morris County Clean Communities Program

New Jersey Clean Communities Council Best Practices Committee:

In August, Chavanne, a member of the NJCCC Best Practices Committee, met with other committee members several times to review and update the Council's website. Over the next few months, the NJCCC is planning a sitewide revamp of the NJClean.org website, with a mid-October deadline to coincide with the graduation of the new Clean Communities Coordinator certification cohort. Chavanne is tasked with creating a generalized version of the MCMUA CCC Handbook for the NJCCC to share statewide to help municipalities with their programs. The MCMUA Clean Communities Budget Template Excel file will also be added to the NJ Clean website for coordinators statewide to use. Chavanne is also helping update the cleanup section of the website to ensure all information is up to date and all links work.

Morris County Clean Communities Mini-Grants, Update:

In August, Chavanne updated our Clean Communities mini-grant guidelines and application process for school cleanups, educational, and non-profit mini-grants. Because the overall program received less grant funding in 2026 from the State, non-profits will likely see funding reduced by up to \$500, depending on the number of applications received. To make applying easier, we created interactive PDFs that can be filled out virtually. These are linked on the MCMUA Clean Communities webpage: Clean Communities Public Grants – MCMUA News. With the opening of the new grant period, we have already received several applications for our educational mini-grants in advance of the 2027 calendar year.

Morris County Clean Communities Sponsored County Roadway Cleanup(s):

In August, the Morris County Clean Communities Litter Abatement Program continued its efforts to remove litter from county roads, working with the contractor Adopt-A-Highway. Throughout the month, Division Team Members conducted on-road searches in several areas listed in past cleanups as having increased litter. Several stretches of road in Parsippany, Morristown, Mount Olive, and Mine Hill were identified for future potential cleanups.

OLD BUSINESS:

Ms. Szwak looked into there being no Open Space Applications. The County had an orientation and they really tried to reach out to municipalities. A lot of people came in but the towns just didn't get their act together. She mentioned that they did a lot of outreach and they did reach out to the non-profits.

There being no further Old Business, this portion of the meeting was closed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dr. Nusbaum complimented James Deacon and his Staff at the HHW Facility. He took a tour when he visited to drop off a television. James gave him a review of the unit and it is run efficiently and is customer friendly. He thinks the Board and the County could be very proud of that unit. He was extremely impressed with the inside of the trailer with the OSHA, the safety, the medical protocol, the AED unit and the respective manuals that James has set up. The trailer is very much in compliance with State and Federal guidelines. From its inception in 1996, the HHW program has far exceeded our original protocols to remove HHW items out of the landfill and the waste stream.

There being no further New Business, this portion of the meeting was closed.

PUBLIC PORTION:

There being no comment from the Public, this portion of the meeting was closed.

CLOSED SESSION:

Chairman Dour asked the Board for a Motion for the meeting to go into closed session at 8:39 p.m. for pending litigation, Morris County M.U.A. vs. AJACO Towing.

MOTION: Mr. Ragonese made a Motion for the meeting to go into closed session at 8:39 p.m. for pending litigation, Morris County M.U.A. vs. AJACO Towing, and Ms. Farris seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 8 NAYES: NONE ABSTENSIONS: NONE

Chairman Dour asked the Board for a Motion for the meeting to go into open session at 8:49 p.m..

MOTION: Mr. Smith made a Motion for the meeting to go into open session at 8:49 p.m. and Ms. Farris seconded the Motion.

ROLL CALL: AYES: 8 NAYES: NONE ABSTENSIONS: NONE

There being no further business, Chairman Dour asked for a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

MOTION: Mr. Druetzler made a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 p.m. Ms. Farris seconded the Motion and it was carried unanimously.

Marilyn Regner
Secretary

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CORRESPONDENCE
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SOLID WASTE

1. 2026-09-18 Letter to John A. Napolitano, Esq., Morris County Counsel, from Paul Baldauf, Assistant Commissioner, NJDEP, regarding Certification of the May 27, 2026 Amendment to the Morris County Solid Waste Management Plan proposing County Plan inclusion of the Dan Como & Sons, Inc, c/o Daniel R. Como Jr. Facility, located at 3 Como Street (Block 41, Lot 1), in the Township of Montville from an existing Exempt Facility to a Multi-Class B&C Recycling Facility.



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CERTIFICATION OF THE MAY 27, 2026 AMENDMENT TO THE MORRIS COUNTY DISTRICT SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

BY ORDER OF THE DEPARTMENT:

A. Introduction

The New Jersey Solid Waste Management Act ("Act") (N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq.) established a comprehensive system for the management of solid waste in New Jersey. The Act designated all twenty-one (21) of the State's counties, and the Hackensack Meadowlands District, as Solid Waste Management Districts, and mandated that the Boards of Chosen Freeholders (now referred to as "Boards of County Commissioners") and the Hackensack Meadowlands Development Commission (previously known as the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission, and now known as New Jersey Sports & Exposition Authority or NJSEA) develop comprehensive plans for waste management in their respective districts. On January 29, 1981, the Department of Environmental Protection ("Department" or "DEP") approved the Morris County District Solid Waste Management Plan ("County Plan").

The Act further provides that a District may review its County Plan at any time and if found inadequate, a new County Plan must be adopted. The Morris County Board of County Commissioners completed such a review and on May 27, 2026, adopted an amendment ("Amendment") to the County Plan.

The Amendment proposes County Plan inclusion of the change of the Dan Como & Sons, Inc. C/O Daniel R. Como Jr. Facility, located at 3 Como Court, Block 41, Lot 1 in the Township of Montville from an existing Exempt Facility to a Multi-Class B&C Recycling Facility. This facility proposes to process source-separated whole trees, tree trunks, tree parts, tree stumps, clean wood, brush, natural wood waste, ground wood/wood chips, source-separated leaves, yard trimmings, and grass clippings, with proposed maximum daily capacities of 25 tons per day ("tpd") of leaves, 10 tpd of yard trimmings and grass, and 600 tpd of wood, tree limbs, and tree parts, adding to a total of 635 tpd. This facility proposes to operate from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm, Monday through Saturday.

The Amendment was considered complete for review by the Department on July 6, 2026, and copies were distributed to various administrative review agencies for review and comment, as required by law. The Department has reviewed this Amendment and has determined that the Amendment adopted by the County Commissioners on May 27, 2026, may be approved as provided in N.J.S.A. 13:1E-24.

B. Findings and Conclusions with Respect to the Morris County District Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 13:1E-24a(1), I have studied and reviewed the Amendment to the County Plan according to the objectives, criteria, and standards developed in the Statewide Solid Waste Management Plan and I find and conclude that the Amendment is consistent with the Statewide Solid Waste Management Plan. In this regard, the County Commissioners are notified of the elements of the Amendment which are included below.

Elements of the May 27, 2026 Amendment

Element: History of the Dan Como & Sons, Inc. Recycling Facility

On February 18, 2010, the Department approved a request for administrative action to the County Plan that proposed County Plan inclusion of the Dan Como & Sons, Inc. exempt yard trimmings compost facility, located on Block 41, Lot 1 at 3 Como Court in the Township of Montville. This is the only planning action that involves this facility.

Element: Regulatory Requirements

Recycling facilities are subject to the provisions of N.J.A.C. 7:27-5, "Prohibition of Air Pollution." This subchapter of regulations prohibits the release of odors and other air contaminants which interfere with the enjoyment of life and property. In addition, the owner or operator of a solid waste facility requires an air quality preconstruction permit and operating certificate in accordance with N.J.A.C. 7:27-8.2.

Finally, if any operation of a recycling facility discharges pollutants as defined in N.J.A.C. 7:14A-1.2, the owner or operator of that recycling facility must secure a New Jersey Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit pursuant to N.J.A.C. 7:14A-2.4(b)4. Additionally, as per N.J.A.C. 7:14A-22.3(a)2, if the owner or operator of a recycling facility will, as part of its operation, build, install, modify, or operate any sewer line, pumping station, or force main which serves more than two buildings or is for the conveyance of 8,000 gallons per day or more of wastewater, a Treatment Works Approval would have to be obtained from the Department prior to construction.

C. Certification of the Morris County District Solid Waste Management Plan Amendment

In accordance with N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq., specifically N.J.S.A. 13:1E-21, which establishes specific requirements regarding the contents of district solid waste management



plans, I have reviewed the Amendment to the approved County Plan and certify to the County Commissioners that the Amendment is approved as further specified below.

The County Plan inclusion of the change of the Dan Como & Sons, Inc. Facility from an Exempt Facility to a Multi-Class B&C Facility is approved.

This Certification shall not be construed as an expression of the Department's intent to issue a recycling facility permit or permit modification for any proposed facility or operation. The construction or operation of any recycling facility shall be preceded by the acquisition of all necessary permits and approvals pursuant to N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq., and all other applicable laws. The issuance of operating permits pursuant to the Solid Waste Management Act is limited to those applicants found by the DEP and the Attorney General of the State of New Jersey to be deserving of licensing under the provisions of N.J.S.A. 13:1E-126.

D. Other Provisions Affecting the Plan Amendment

1. Certification to Proceed with Implementation of Amendment

This document shall serve as Certification by the Department to the County Commissioners and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 13:1E-24c and f., the County Commissioners shall proceed with implementation of the approved components of the Amendment certified herein.

2. Definitions

For the purpose of this Amendment and unless the context clearly requires a different meaning, the definitions of terms shall be the same as those found at N.J.S.A. 13:1E-3 and 99.12, N.J.A.C. 7:26-1.4 and 2.13, and N.J.A.C. 7:26A-1.3.

3. Effective Date of Amendment

The approved components of this Amendment shall take effect immediately.

4. Reservation of Authority

Nothing contained herein shall be construed as a limitation on any other action taken by the Department pursuant to its authority under the law. The County Plan, including any amendment made thereto, shall conform to the Statewide Solid Waste Management Plan, with appendices, which include the Department's planning guidelines, rules, regulations, and orders of the Department, and includes the compilation of individual county plans and amendments as they are approved.

E. Certification of Approval of the Amendment by the Department of Environmental Protection



In accordance with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 13:1E-1 et seq., I hereby approve the Amendment, as outlined in Section C. of this Certification, to the Morris County District Solid Waste Management Plan which was adopted by the Morris County Board of County Commissioners on May 27, 2026.

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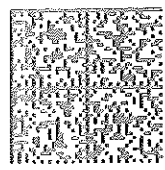
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Paul Baldauf
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MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY (MCMUA)

WATER ENGINEER'S REPORT

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Through September 2026 the MCMUA sold 1,414.585 million gallons, 117.197 million gallons more than the same period in 2025 and 219.852 million gallons more than 2024. Full-year sales are still projected to exceed 1,800 million gallons. Pleasant Hill Phase II is substantially complete, but retainage of \$23,607.48 is not ready for release. The Flanders generator replacement remains in punch-list, at 95 percent complete. Sovereign's Alamatong Well No. 4 and No. 5 payment application No. 4, \$82,727.29, is recommended. The Mt. Arlington pump contract is executed and a pre-construction meeting is being scheduled. H2M's Water Exploration Report is being distributed. Closeout of the Mount Olive motor-control-center contract remains tabled from September 15 but placed before Board for October consideration.

PROJECT STATUS

1. General System:

- A. Through the month of September 2026, MCMUA sold approximately 1,414.585 MG. This amount is approximately 117.197 MG more than the amount sold in the same time period in 2025 and approximately 219.852 MG more than the amount sold in the same time period in 2024. If the water usage is similar to 2025, for the months of October, November and December, the total usage could exceed 1,800 MG.

2. Flanders Valley #1 and #2 Generator Replacements

The Contractor is addressing a few minor punch list items, including the louver operation and grouting a small gap in the housekeeping pad. We are still awaiting the final closeout documents, and will continue to press for a November closeout.

Project Completion Summary Through October 13, 2026

Contract Start Date		May 13, 2024
Original Contract Completion Time		365 Calendar Days
Days Elapsed:	366	100%
Days Remaining:	0	0%
Original Contract Completion Date		May 13, 2025

Project Financial Summary Through October 13, 2026

Original Contract Amount	\$520,798.00
Payment Application #1	\$19,230.54

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Payment Application #2	\$34,300.00
Payment Application #3	\$42,605.50
Payment Application #4	\$7,840.00
Payment Application #5	\$369,082.84
Payment Application #6	\$14,084.53
Total Value of Work Complete	\$497,085.11
Percent of Work Complete	95%
Total Retainage to Date	\$9,941.70

3. Pleasant Hill Road 24-Inch PCCP Retirement – Phase II

Underground Utilities Corp. is in the process of preparing all of the necessary closeout documents. While anticipated to be closed out at the October meeting, we are not in a position to release the retainage.

Project Completion Summary Through October 13, 2026

Contract Start Date	April 28, 2026
Original Contract Completion Time	120 Calendar Days
Days Elapsed:	120 100%
Days Remaining:	0 0%
Original Contract Completion Date	August 26, 2026

Project Financial Summary Through October 13, 2026

Original Contract Amount	\$1,309,045.00
Total Value of Work Complete	\$1,180,373.83
Payment Application #1	\$877,705.24
Payment Application #2	\$134,203.79
Payment Application #3	\$144,857.32
Percent of Work Complete	90.1%
Total Retainage to Date	\$23,607.48

4. Mt. Olive Transfer Station Motor Control Center Improvements

Following the tabling of the Resolution Accepting Work and Authorizing Final Payment & Release of Retainage during last months meeting, the Resolution is presented this month. The final payment amount of **\$10,348.00** is recommended.

Project Financial Summary Through October 13, 2026

Original Contract Amount	\$159,900.00
Change Order #2	(\$10,000.00)
Current Contract Amount	\$149,900.00
Payment Application #1	\$7,199.08
Payment Application #2	\$1,715.00

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Payment Application #3	\$17,434.20
Payment Application #4	\$57,677.90
Payment Application #5	\$55,525.82
Payment Application #6	\$10,348.00
Total Value of Work Complete	\$149,900.00
Percent of Work Complete	100%
Total Retainage to Date	\$0.00

5. Alamatong Well #4 and #5 Electrical Improvement Project

Sovereign Consulting, Inc., has continued advancement of shop drawings, and release of materials. Instrumentation & Control upgrades have been advanced in preparation for the upcoming Well 4 & 5 work.

The Contractor has submitted payment application #4, in the amount of **\$82,727.29**. SCE has reviewed and finds this reflective of the work completed, and recommends processing if all necessary documents are submitted.

Project Completion Summary Through October 13, 2026

Contract Start Date	March 23, 2026
Original Contract Completion Time	365 Calendar Days
Days Elapsed:	204 56%
Days Remaining:	161 44%
Original Contract Completion Date	March 23, 2027

Project Financial Summary Through October 13, 2026

Original Contract Amount	\$1,225,000.00
Payment Application #1	\$84,280.00
Payment Application #2	\$118,041.00
Payment Application #3	\$31,767.26
Payment Application #4	\$82,727.29
Total Value of Work Complete	\$323,281.17
Percent of Work Complete	26.3%
Total Retainage to Date	\$6,465.62

6. Mt. Arlington Pump Replacement

The Contracts have been fully executed, and we are in the process of scheduling the pre-construction meeting. **Sovereign Consulting** is in the process of coordinating shop drawings for the proposed pump.

7. Water Exploration Engineer

H2M has provided the final Water Exploration Report, a copy of which is provided to the Board. If necessary an internal meeting can be scheduled with the Water Committee to discuss the report.

Project Financial Summary Through October 13, 2026

Original Contract Amount	\$86,000.00
Total Value of Work Complete	\$72,843.50
Percent of Work Complete	84.7%

MCMUA Water Gallonage Production Report

MCMUA CUSTOMER GALLONAGE JANUARY - DECEMBER 2024

Month	RTMUA	SMCMUA	MINE HILL	NJ AMER.	ROXBURY	DENVILLE	PAR-TROY	JEFFERSON	MT. ARLINGTON	WHARTON	TOTAL
JAN 24	39,383,000	1,184,000	7,125,000	9,700,000	11,948,000	12,308,000	495,000	12,912,000	8,914,000	8,525,000	112,494,000
FEB 24	36,249,000	714,000	6,772,000	9,818,000	11,323,000	11,274,000	455,000	12,359,000	8,894,000	8,598,000	106,456,000
MAR 24	38,408,000	977,000	7,180,000	11,090,000	12,332,000	11,992,000	433,000	11,670,000	9,229,000	8,588,000	111,899,000
APR 24	40,030,000	1,104,000	6,290,000	11,375,000	12,841,000	12,624,000	424,000	10,762,000	8,103,000	6,521,000	110,074,000
MAY 24	48,809,000	703,000	8,132,000	12,221,000	13,229,000	16,097,000	535,000	12,135,000	8,549,000	5,455,000	125,865,000
JUNE 24	66,316,000	3,814,000	9,216,000	12,462,000	15,332,000	22,180,000	798,000	14,666,000	11,395,000	6,708,000	162,887,000
JULY 24	67,075,000	5,775,000	8,265,000	12,103,000	15,095,000	20,338,000	701,000	16,147,000	11,983,000	7,815,000	165,297,000
AUG 24	58,973,000	6,477,000	7,553,000	11,468,000	14,002,000	17,935,000	702,000	13,014,000	12,828,000	7,148,000	150,100,000
SEPT 24	61,989,000	3,592,000	8,986,000	11,658,000	12,748,000	18,518,000	665,000	12,117,000	12,083,000	7,305,000	149,661,000
OCT 24	50,408,000	3,203,000	7,715,000	18,071,000	11,856,000	16,065,000	628,000	10,772,000	12,247,000	8,113,000	139,078,000
NOV 24	40,127,000	2,793,000	7,939,000	13,022,000	9,332,000	11,090,000	489,000	9,516,000	11,970,000	8,685,000	114,963,000
DEC 24	45,700,000	2,606,000	6,049,000	13,986,000	8,024,000	11,864,000	481,000	10,373,000	12,106,000	8,543,000	119,732,000
TOTAL	593,467,000	32,942,000	91,222,000	146,974,000	148,062,000	182,285,000	6,806,000	146,443,000	128,301,000	92,004,000	1,568,506,000

MCMUA CUSTOMER GALLONAGE JANUARY - DECEMBER 2025

Month	RTMUA	SMCMUA	MINE HILL	NJ AMER.	ROXBURY	DENVILLE	PAR-TROY	JEFFERSON	MT. ARLINGTON	WHARTON	TOTAL
JAN 25	47,125,000	2,455,000	7,532,000	14,350,000	7,991,000	11,628,000	698,000	12,123,000	11,607,000	8,154,000	123,663,000
FEB 25	43,467,000	2,309,000	6,403,000	13,084,000	7,083,000	10,471,000	1,129,000	12,200,000	10,443,000	7,939,000	114,528,000
MAR 25	49,107,000	1,292,000	6,015,000	14,254,000	9,214,000	10,952,000	400,000	13,373,000	11,934,000	7,961,000	124,502,000
APR 25	49,781,000	2,289,000	7,973,000	12,145,000	9,939,000	11,422,000	513,000	12,282,000	11,480,000	7,860,000	125,684,000
MAY 25	58,384,000	1,493,000	8,213,000	10,930,000	10,885,000	15,221,000	747,000	13,341,000	11,802,000	8,438,000	139,454,000
JUNE 25	64,213,000	2,157,000	8,457,000	10,455,000	11,283,000	17,291,000	704,000	15,346,000	11,560,000	9,014,000	150,480,000
JULY 25	78,269,000	576,000	8,566,000	11,134,000	14,848,000	18,626,000	755,000	15,797,000	14,094,000	9,573,000	172,238,000
AUG 25	83,558,000	2,374,000	7,837,000	11,632,000	14,365,000	19,545,000	941,000	16,220,000	14,972,000	12,724,000	184,168,000
SEPT 25	72,658,000	960,000	6,540,000	12,118,000	13,064,000	17,070,000	685,000	16,007,000	12,919,000	10,650,000	162,671,000
OCT 25	65,810,000	703,000	6,407,000	12,414,000	12,571,000	14,475,000	670,000	14,427,000	12,100,000	10,666,000	150,243,000
NOV 25	53,754,000	1,131,000	5,092,000	12,077,000	10,519,000	11,128,000	482,000	12,403,000	10,732,000	11,724,000	129,042,000
DEC 25	55,246,000	1,301,000	6,090,000	12,553,000	10,957,000	11,942,000	464,000	14,139,000	11,210,000	10,667,000	134,569,000
TOTAL	721,372,000	19,040,000	85,125,000	147,146,000	132,719,000	169,771,000	8,188,000	167,658,000	144,853,000	115,370,000	1,711,242,000

MCMUA CUSTOMER GALLONAGE JANUARY - SEPTEMBER 2026

Month	RTMUA	SMCMUA	MINE HILL	NJ AMER.	ROXBURY	DENVILLE	PAR-TROY	JEFFERSON	MT. ARLINGTON	WHARTON	TOTAL
JAN 26	55,992,000	2,266,000	6,079,000	12,775,000	11,321,000	11,556,000	490,000	15,138,000	11,233,000	10,697,000	137,547,000
FEB 26	53,300,000	2,033,000	5,696,000	11,628,000	10,037,000	18,627,000	472,000	15,362,000	10,326,000	10,757,000	138,238,000
MAR 26	58,842,000	2,306,000	5,525,000	13,390,000	11,613,000	18,310,000	441,000	15,515,000	10,879,000	10,869,000	147,690,000
APR 26	58,410,000	2,330,000	6,428,000	13,455,000	11,075,000	11,528,000	511,000	15,318,000	11,089,000	10,796,000	140,940,000
MAY 26	72,010,520	2,509,000	6,103,000	14,118,000	12,773,480	15,487,000	564,000	16,776,000	11,608,000	10,382,000	162,331,000
JUNE 26	83,435,000	2,746,000	6,205,000	13,719,000	14,064,000	18,977,000	795,000	18,922,000	12,437,000	11,531,000	182,831,000
JULY 26	82,759,000	2,674,000	6,310,000	12,502,000	14,594,000	18,599,000	689,000	17,547,000	12,222,000	11,753,000	179,649,000
AUG 26	70,794,000	2,768,000	5,979,000	14,163,000	14,041,000	16,226,000	533,000	15,425,000	13,892,000	11,657,000	165,478,000
SEPT 26	72,675,000	2,636,000	6,020,000	14,687,000	12,837,000	12,367,000	1,670,000	13,169,000	12,231,000	11,589,000	159,881,000
TOTAL	608,217,520	22,268,000	54,345,000	120,437,000	112,355,480	141,677,000	6,165,000	143,172,000	105,917,000	100,031,000	1,414,585,000

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SOLID, HAZARDOUS AND VEGETATIVE WASTE REPORT:

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

In September 2026 the MCMUA transfer stations accepted 44,309 tons, 7.04 percent more than September 2025. Full-year 2026 tonnage is now projected at 488,701 tons, 2.5 percent above 2025 and in line with the 490,000-ton figure used in the September budget amendment. The Parsippany North Tipping Floor is substantially complete after the September 25–26 EucoFloor repairs; Payment Application No. 3 is before the Board, with closeout expected in November. The Mount Olive public-water main is in service, with three hydrants live and the 2-inch domestic service active; the 8-inch fire service remains closed until the station connection is ready. NJDEP certified the Dan Como & Sons plan amendment on September 18. The Commercial Warrant of Removal for Block 770, Lots 17, 18 and 19 was served and executed on October 1, and the MCMUA is in sole possession. The September 26 HHW event at CCM processed 615 vehicles. Vegetative-waste screening and grinding are complete ahead of leaf season, and the Mount Olive loading-ramp bid is targeted for the November 10 meeting.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

The internal Solid Waste 2027 budget meeting with the Executive Director and Treasurer/CFO was held in the MCMUA main office conference room on Tuesday, September 29. All Solid Waste divisions and programs were reviewed in detail, including the transfer stations, Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) program, Curbside Recycling program, Vegetative Waste program, and Solid Waste Planning Department. Significant discussion and focus were placed on the MCMUA's first year of assuming operations at both transfer stations, beginning December 16, 2025, as well as the five-year budgeting plan associated with the new transfer station contracts with J.P. Mascaro & Sons. Discussions also addressed unanticipated overtime costs, staffing levels across all departments, and the need for additional/replacement heavy equipment, while recognizing the continued improvements being made throughout the Solid Waste Division. The Board's Budget Committee meeting is now anticipated to take place in early November. The MCMUA Solid Waste staff will be well prepared and available to address any questions or concerns from the Committee at that time.

Formerly Leased to AJACO Lots: Following the August 20, 2026 Order of Disposition and Judgment for Possession, a corrected Commercial Warrant of Removal for Block 770, Lots 17, 18 and 19 (New Road and Edwards Road, Parsippany-Troy Hills) was signed by the Court on September 24 and served and executed by the Special Civil Part Officer on October 1, 2026. The eviction is complete. The MCMUA is in sole possession of the property, and AJACO may enter only with the Authority's permission. Resolution 2026-085, adopted September 15, 2026, acknowledges that the property is used solely for a public purpose and is exempt from local property tax under N.J.S.A. 54:4-3.3. Counsel has served the Superior Court complaint for taxes already paid and holdover rent. A limited number of vehicles remain on the site. Counsel is identifying ownership and any liens before those vehicles are removed. Staff will coordinate with counsel on securing the property and on the fence.

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

Dan Como & Sons, Inc. (Como)- In Fall 2022, Dan Como & Sons, Inc., also known as “The Mulch Depot”, located at 3 Como Court (Block 41, Lot 1) in Towaco, Montville formally requested inclusion in the Morris County Solid Waste Management Plan to allow the facility to transition from an exempt leaf-transfer operation to a NJDEP approved Multi-Class B/C Recycling Facility. The Morris County Board of County Commissioners conducted a second public hearing on May 27 and unanimously approved the proposed amendment. The application materials, hearing records, and the transcript were then forwarded to the NJDEP for review and final determination. On July 6 the MCMUA received the NJDEP’s Notice of Completeness for the Como Amendment. More recently, on September 18, the MCMUA received NJDEP’s Certification of the Amendment, adopting the Como facility as a Multi-Class B/C Recycling Facility in the County Plan.

TRANSFER STATIONS

Tonnage Summary- The 44,309 tons of solid waste accepted at the two (2) transfer stations in September 2026, was 7.04% greater than the 41,393 tons accepted a year ago in September 2025. The third quarter of 2026 saw the acceptance of 4.57% more solid waste than the equivalent third quarter of 2025. With the first nine (9) months of actual solid waste tonnage data in the books for 2026, it is now projected that for all of 2026 a total of 488,701 will be accepted for the year, which would represent a 2.5% increase over the 477,215 tons accepted for all of 2025. Please refer to the attached Transfer Station Disposal Report by Month and the comparison statistics provided below for additional details.

September Monthly Transfer Station Comparison Statistics (2025 to 2026):

Mount Olive Transfer Station:

Inbound Tonnage- About 16,678- 955 more tons than 2025

Total Customers- 4,384- 260 more than 2025

Self-Generated/ Residential Customers- 1,058- 141 more than 2025

At the nine (9) month/three quarter mark of 2026, Mount Olive’s inbound tonnage is 140,685 tons, which is 5,056 tons more than the 135,628 tons processed after nine (9) months in 2025. 2026 had 37,661 total customers, which is 2,025 more than 2025 at 35,636. Self-generated/homeowners total 9,241, which is 1,124 more than 2025 with 8,117 after nine (9) months.

Parsippany-Troy Hills Transfer Station:

Inbound Tonnage- About 27,635- 1,965 more tons than 2025

Total Customers- 6,327- 445 more than 2025

Self-Generated/ Residential Customers- 565- 35 more than 2025

At the nine (9) month/three quarter mark of 2026, Parsippany’s inbound tonnage is 224,505 tons, which is 85 more tons than the 224,419 tons processed after nine (9) months in 2025. 2026 had 52,872 total customers, which is 808 more than 2025 at 52,064. Self-generated/homeowners total 4,617, which is 256 more than 2025 with 4,361 after nine (9) months.

Solid Waste Professional Engineering Services- MCMUA 2025-2027 planned projects and improvements involving the Alaimo Group (Alaimo), Suburban Consulting Engineers (SCE),

and H2M at the two (2) MCMUA transfer stations. Updates will be provided to the Board at the October 13 meeting:

Parsippany-Troy Hills Transfer Station

- The North Tipping Floor/Small Floor project at the Parsippany-Troy Hills transfer station which included the replacement of the top section of the deteriorated floor using Euclid Chemical's EucoFloor 404 system, new trench drain system, safety bollards and concrete attenuators, emergency valves that control the underground holding tank, and a new plasma-cut steel grate system. The 240' linear feet of new "Jersey" barriers have also been placed by Persistent Construction to permanently separate Tipping Floor Bay #5 from Bays #6 and #7. As discussed at the September 15 Board meeting, surface imperfections in the newly installed EucoFloor 404, including footprints and areas affected by curing sheeting, were identified and corrected by Infrastructure Repair Service (IRS) on September 25 and 26. Repairs included grinding high spots, saw-cutting and removing damaged areas, cleaning and sandblasting, applying epoxy primer and silica sand, and replacing the EucoFloor 404 coating. Overall, the project is substantially complete, corrective floor work has been completed, and the project is moving toward final closeout. Payment Application #3 has been submitted for the October 13 Board meeting, with final project closeout anticipated at the November 10 Board meeting.
- The Parsippany Scale House Improvement Project- is being proposed for 2027, with feasibility engineering anticipated to begin in 2026. With assistance from Treasurer/CFO Larry Kaletcher, staff determined that the funds previously dedicated to this project should be redirected to assist with completion of the Mount Olive Transfer Station Bathroom Alterations and Mezzanine Addition (Breakroom/Shop) Project discussed below. In preparation for the 2027 budget, staff requested that H2M provide pricing for engineering design, bidding, and construction oversight services for the Parsippany Scale House project. H2M subsequently provided the MCMUA with a proposal for a Phase 1- Feasibility Study, which includes a comprehensive existing conditions assessment, preliminary cost estimate, and schematic design. This approach is similar to the process currently being used for the Mount Olive Transfer Station Breakroom/Shop Project. MCMUA approval of the Phase 1 proposal will allow H2M to begin the feasibility work and keep the Parsippany Scale House Improvement Project on track for 2027.

Mount Olive Transfer Station

- Mount Olive Transfer Station NJDEP Solid Waste Facility Permit Renewal (PI #133624)- With the Mount Olive Transfer Station's NJDEP Solid Waste Facility Permit set to expire on January 11, 2027, the MCMUA engaged Mr. Tom Cappetti, Environmental Planner with Alaimo Engineering, to assist with the permit renewal process. MCMUA staff collected and provided the required data and supporting information, including annual, monthly, and daily tonnage records, current stormwater and air permits for the station, active permits for all three (3) landfills receiving Morris County's solid waste, and information regarding capital improvements completed at the Mount Olive facility over the past five (5) years. A major component of the renewal process is updating the facility's Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Manual to reflect MCMUA's operation of

the facility since assuming operational responsibilities in mid-December 2025. Work on the updated O&M Manual is currently ongoing and will be incorporated into the permit renewal submission.

- Mount Olive Transfer Station Bathroom Alterations and Mezzanine Addition (Breakroom/Shop)- Proposed improvements include the construction of a dedicated employee break room, renovated restroom and shower facilities, and a new mezzanine-level locker room within the existing double-height maintenance and garage area (shop) of the Mount Olive Transfer Station building. H2M Architects and Engineers (H2M) completed their feasibility report, schematic drawings, and cost opinion for this 2026 budgeted capital improvement project. More recently, the MCMUA approved H2M to move forward on “Task 2”, which includes design development, construction documents, bidding and permitting, construction administration, and project closeout services. Staff remain in constant communication with H2M to make sure this 2026 project continues to move forward.
- Mount Olive Transfer Station Public Water Service Project- This project involves the installation of 800 feet of 8” diameter ductile iron concrete lined pipe necessary for 2” domestic service/ 8” fire service along Gold Mine Road to provide domestic water service and fire protection to the Mount Olive Transfer Station. An onsite preconstruction meeting was held on September 11 at 1:00 PM with representatives from MCMUA, New Jersey American Water (NJAW), Vollers (contractor), Alaimo Group, Mount Olive DPW, the Mount Olive Health Department, the Mount Olive Fire Official, and the Morris County Fire Marshal’s Office. Following the meeting, construction of the main extension began on Monday, September 28. Vollers and NJAW continued work on the main extension throughout the week, including the installation of three (3) hydrants along Gold Mine Road. On October 6, MCMUA staff received notification from NJAW’s onsite project manager that the project was substantially complete and was awaiting the required water sampling results to pass inspection. NJAW measured 50 psi of water pressure at the final hydrant, which met the pressure requirement identified by Alaimo Group. The water main is now active and in service, and all three (3) hydrants live and filled with water. The 2” domestic water service at the curb is also active. The 8” fire service will remain inactive until MCMUA is ready to connect the facility. At that time, MCMUA staff will contact NJAW to have the valve opened and place the fire service into operation.

Remaining Steps:

- The developer will contact NJAW Customer Service to arrange for installation of the water meter.
- Alaimo Group is continuing to work with MCMUA staff and the Morris County Fire Marshal’s Office on the next phase of the project, including finalizing the fire pump design and completing the plans and specifications for the service-connection phase into the Mount Olive Transfer Station.
- The Motor Control Center (MCC) Improvement Project with DEE-EN Electrical Contracting, Inc. (DEE-EN)- DEE-EN had completed the punch list items provided by SCE at the end of August. Resolution No. 2026-084 was tabled during the September 15 meeting and will now be presented to the Board as Resolution No. 2026-087 for

consideration at its October 13 meeting. This presented resolution is to accept the completed work and authorize final payment. Included with the resolution for project closeout will be Payment Recommendation No. 6 to DEE-EN in the amount of \$10,348.00, as well as Change Order No. 2, which represents a reconciliation of unused line items and a three hundred ninety-eight (398)-day time extension associated with delays in equipment production.

CURBSIDE RECYCLING

Through Resolution No. 2026-083, approved by the Board at the September 15 meeting, the MCMUA purchased and received four (4) Stertil-Koni Earthlift Model ST1085-2FRA mobile hydraulic units, or mobile lifts. These lifts use less energy while providing the strength, speed, and power required for heavy-duty lifting. These mobile hydraulic units have a lifting capacity of 22,000 pounds per column and a maximum lifting height of 73 inches. Factory training for the Curbside mechanics was provided by the vendor. Because these units are mobile, they can be transported to other MCMUA facilities for use as needed.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) MANAGEMENT

Program Participation- During the month of September 2026, the permanent Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Facility serviced a total of 276 appointments. This included 253 Morris County residents, 3 Very Small Quantity Generators (VSQGs)/small businesses, and 20 out-of-county residents. For comparison, in September 2025, the HHW Facility serviced 282 total appointments, consisting of 255 Morris County residents, 4 VSQGs/small businesses, and 23 out-of-county residents. Year-to-date, through the first nine (9) months of 2026, the HHW facility has serviced 2,554 appointments, including 2,335 Morris County residents. Even with the slower month at the facility, participation is at an increase over 2025 by 155 more customers year-to-date.

The MCMUA Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) event at County College of Morris (CCM) Parking Lot #9 on Saturday, September 26, 2026, was a success despite challenging weather conditions. The morning started with heavy winds and rain, prompting some concern about whether the event should be canceled due to the State of Emergency in the surrounding Counties. Fortunately, the decision was made to proceed, and **615 vehicles** were processed throughout the day. MCMUA staff and MXI personnel worked through the difficult conditions, with the wind and rain ramping up at times. Overall, the CCM event ran smoothly and was successful. The limited signage deployed at the site because of the winds also made for a quick and efficient take-down at the end of the event. Special guests included Morris County Commissioner Doug Cabana and Sheriff Jim Gannon, who were attending the Global War on Terrorism Memorial event at CCM. Due to the weather, that event was moved indoors. The MCMUA would like to extend its sincere appreciation to Mr. Steve Ackerman, Supervisor of Public Safety at CCM, for his continued support of our program. Mr. Ackerman allowed the MCMUA to proceed with the HHW event despite the parking lot change and provided signage and digital signs to assist customers throughout the day. CCM Security personnel also regularly checked in with MCMUA staff to make sure they had everything they needed.

The fourth and final 2026 MCMUA HHW One-Day Drop-Off Event is quickly approaching:

- **Saturday, October 24, 2026**, at Pequannock Valley Park- Marvin Road/PV Park Road, Pompton Plains section of Pequannock Township, New Jersey 07444.

MCMUA staff continue to work with Structural Engineer Piotr Grodek and Project Manager Michael Kobylarz from the Alaimo Group on the 2026 improvement project at the Household Hazardous Waste Facility (HHWF) located within the Mount Olive Transfer Station. MCMUA will continue to work with Alaimo with hopes of going out to bid in November 2026, with the goal of completing all improvements in the beginning of 2027. As a reminder for the Board, the two (2) major components of the project, as outlined in the 2026 budget, include:

- Demolition and installation of a new standing seam roof system, including new roof deck sheathing, as well as cleaning and protection of the existing steel barn columns.
- Demolition of the existing barrier wall and installation of a new landscape block retaining wall, along with privacy chain-link fencing equipped with privacy slats.

VEGETATIVE WASTE MANAGEMENT

MCMUA staff met with Suburban Consulting Engineers (SCE) on October 2 to continue development of the stormwater management plans and Drainage Control Plans (DCP), including filter traps, and to finalize the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SPPP), and associated best management practices. On September 24, the MCMUA was contacted by the NJDEP Bureau of NJPDES Stormwater Permitting. As part of the permitting process, NJDEP would like to conduct site visits at the MCMUA facilities. The site visits can occur before the DCP and SPPP documents are finalized, after they are submitted, or ideally, before NJDEP begins monitoring. Having NJDEP visit before the documents are finalized or submitted would provide the MCMUA with an opportunity to use the Bureau as a resource during development of the plans and ensure that the proposed measures meet permitting requirements. The second purpose of the SCE meeting was to finalize the design of the proposed bin-block and loading ramp projects and prepare the projects for bidding. Due to the increasingly urgent condition of the main loading ramp (Ramp #1) at the Mount Olive facility, timing has become a significant concern with the approaching winter season. The MCMUA hopes to award all or a portion of this project to a qualified bidder at the November 10 meeting.

MCMUA Heavy Equipment Operators Joseph Furey and Justin Buller successfully completed the Rutgers–New Jersey Compost Operator Certification Course on September 15 and 16. All MCMUA certifications are framed and posted in both office trailers for inspectors to view. Through the MCMUA Shared Services Agreement with the Parsippany Forestry Department, the Diamond Z brush grinder arrived at the MCMUA Parsippany Vegetative Waste Facility on September 24 to process the large volume of wood waste generated by recent storms. MCMUA staff assisted the Parsippany Forestry Department throughout the following week, with all of the material processed by October 7. Due to the large volume of material generated through the grinding operation, Program Manager Stephen Adams reached out to County departments, including Parks, Roads and Bridges, the Sheriff's Office, OEM, Buildings and Grounds, and others, to offer the processed material at no cost. When staff availability permits, the MCMUA also offered free delivery in 10-cubic-yard (CY) increments. If equipment and staff are

available, the MCMUA will request the same services from Parsippany Forestry for the Mount Olive facility, where significant amounts of wood waste remain in piles.

The rental Phoenix 3300 Trommel Screener from Emerald Equipment, used to complete the fall screening of compost at both facilities, finished operations at the Parsippany facility on or around September 14. The screener was then transported to the Mount Olive facility, where staff began screening operations immediately. All unscreened compost onsite was processed through the screener, with multiple passes made as needed. Staff also rescreened the overs/tailings to recover as much usable material as possible before the remaining material was transported to the MCMUA Transfer Station for disposal. Screening operations at Mount Olive were completed on September 25. Following completion, staff cleaned, fueled, and prepared the screener for transport. From September 14 through September 18, staff screened approximately 3,795 cubic yards (CY) of compost from the windrows, generating approximately 3,015 CY of usable material. On September 21, staff rescreened approximately 600 CY of tailings/overs and recovered an additional 277 CY of usable material. Also, under the direction and recommendation of MCMUA Operations Manager Bobby Ross, staff began screening material from the site's berms on September 21 and completed the work on September 25. As a trial run and an effort to determine whether additional viable material could be recovered for potential sale, staff screened approximately 2,062 CY from a section of the site's berms and successfully generated approximately 1,230 CY of usable material. All remaining tailings/overs from the berm screening will be reincorporated into the berms.

Final Screening Stats from Mount Olive:

- Unscreened 3,795 CY into Screened 3,015 CY.
- Rescreen Tailings/overs 600 CY into 277 CY for site "free pile".
- Site Berms 2,062 CY into viable material 1,230 CY.
- Tailings/Overs estimated 337 CY for disposal at the Mount Olive Transfer Station.

Vollers continues to provide walking-floor trailers at both facilities to transport bulk sales of wood mulch, with approximately 70 CY shipped per load. Sales of the aforementioned surplus materials through HVI (Vollers) will continue throughout the off-delivery season. Vollers has also taken advantage of the newly screened compost available at both facilities, sending large dump trucks (25 CY) to be loaded for transport and subsequent commercial sales. Vollers was also pleased with the quality and results of the screened berm material, taking samples and successfully identifying a market for the material. The Mount Olive facility also completed a larger sale of screened compost to Randolph DPW in early October. Credit to the Vegetative Waste staff for a successful month of operations, including screening, grinding, continued residential deliveries, and preparing both facilities for the upcoming leaf season. The staff's continued efforts have helped ensure that both sites are well-positioned for the increased activity associated with leaf season. Additional information regarding vegetative waste material flow and sales is provided in the Vegetative Waste Report being presented at the October 13 meeting.

Resolution No. 2026-087

**Resolution Accepting The Work Of Dee-En Electrical Contracting, Inc.
For Contract No. 2024-SW01 “Mt. Olive Motor Control Center Improvements”**

WHEREAS, the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority (“MCMUA”) and Dee-En Electrical Contracting, Inc., 3014 Tremley Point Rd, Linden, New Jersey 07036 (“Dee-En” or the “Contractor”) entered into an agreement on May 06, 2024 to perform the improvements at the Mt. Olive Solid Waste Transfer Station in accordance with a contract that was subject to public bidding in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor successfully achieved substantial completion of the work on Monday, August 10, 2026; and

WHEREAS, SUBURBAN CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INC. (“SCE”) evaluated the work performed and determined the work, and any punchlist items were satisfactorily addressed; and

WHEREAS, the Contractor successfully completed the work to the satisfaction of the Owner and Engineer, and furnished the necessary project closeout documents including certified payroll reports, and release of all liens; and

WHEREAS, due to a reconciliation of un-used quantities that were not needed for the work, Change Order No. 2 results in a decrease in the final contract price by \$10,000.00 and a three hundred ninety eight day time extension of the contract time for the completion of the work; and

WHEREAS, SCE evaluated the aforementioned Change Order No. 2 and the aforementioned decrease in the contract price and SCE recommends approval of Change Order No. 2 which decreases the contract price in the amount of \$10,00.00 and extends the completion date of the Contract to the substantial completion date; and

WHEREAS, the Engineer recommends processing the final payment to Dee-En in the amount of \$10,348.00, which includes the release of retainage; and

WHEREAS, the MCMUA Treasurer has certified that sufficient funds are available in the Capital Improvement Fund, account number 01-1-900-000-128 for the release of the final payment and retainage to Sovereign.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority as follows:

1. The MCMUA determines that the work performed by Dee-En pursuant to Contract 2024-SW01 has reached final completion and the completed work is accepted.

2. The Executive Director is authorized and directed to process the final payment to Dee-En in the amount of \$10,348.00, which includes the release of retainage in the amount of \$2,998.00.
3. The Executive Director, staff and consultants are authorized to take all appropriate actions to effectuate this Resolution.
4. This Resolution shall take effect as provided by law.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority at the Regular Meeting held on October 13, 2026.

MORRIS COUNTY MUNICIPAL
UTILITIES AUTHORITY

By: _____
Christopher Dour, Chairman

ATTEST:

By: _____
Marilyn Regner, Secretary

Morris County Transfer Stations Disposal Tonnage By Month
2023 - September 2026

Year	Month	MSW Type 10	Medical Type 10C	C & D Type 13	Vegetative Type 23	Animal Type 25	Industrial Type 27	Totals	Change from prior Year
2023	January	25,405	0	12,082	0	8	72	37,567	15.01%
	February	20,779	0	10,590	0	6	37	31,412	-2.07%
	March	24,760	0	12,517	0	6	59	37,342	-5.24%
	April	23,322	0	13,107	0	5	31	36,465	-11.47%
	May	26,996	0	15,107	0	5	73	42,180	0.45%
	June	26,767	0	16,096	0	8	36	42,907	-2.30%
	July	25,919	0	14,490	0	5	23	40,437	5.62%
	August	27,157	0	16,577	0	7	47	43,788	2.40%
	September	25,183	0	14,481	0	8	23	39,696	-4.28%
	October	25,984	0	15,988	0	9	61	42,042	5.90%
	November	25,620	0	13,811	0	10	42	39,483	-2.23%
	December	25,439	0	12,706	0	6	43	38,194	1.05%
2024	January	25,900	0	12,042	0	8	47	37,997	1.15%
	February	22,079	0	11,012	0	5	33	33,129	5.47%
	March	23,776	0	13,690	0	6	36	37,508	0.44%
	April	26,430	0	14,717	0	4	53	41,204	12.99%
	May	27,908	0	15,178	0	27	51	43,164	2.33%
	June	24,962	0	15,403	0	24	41	40,430	-5.77%
	July	27,107	0	15,102	0	20	24	42,253	4.49%
	August	27,192	0	16,062	0	8	51	43,314	-1.08%
	September	24,993	0	14,547	0	12	45	39,597	-0.25%
	October	26,128	0	16,170	0	18	64	42,380	0.80%
	November	24,093	0	13,492	0	8	49	37,643	-4.66%
	December	26,615	0	11,505	0	20	41	38,182	-0.03%
2025	January	24,104	0	10,801	0	15	49	34,969	-7.97%
	February	20,876	0	10,309	0	8	63	31,256	-5.66%
	March	24,155	0	14,606	0	5	60	38,826	3.51%
	April	25,511	0	16,013	0	4	40	41,568	0.88%
	May	27,220	0	15,964	0	4	47	43,235	0.16%
	June	27,238	0	16,190	0	18	46	43,491	7.57%
	July	27,662	0	17,197	0	10	29	44,899	6.26%
	August	25,308	0	15,041	0	18	46	40,413	-6.70%
	September	26,387	0	14,963	0	7	37	41,393	4.54%
	October	26,358	0	16,314	0	7	49	42,728	0.82%
	November	23,044	0	12,973	0	2	37	36,056	-4.22%
	December	26,530	0	11,806	0	7	39	38,382	0.52%
2026	January	23,039	0	10,524	0	4	43	33,609	-3.89%
	February	20,532	0	9,582	0	4	36	30,155	-3.52%
	March	25,848	0	15,137	0	1	36	41,022	5.66%
	April	26,081	0	16,165	0	0	63	42,309	1.78%
	May	25,718	0	14,944	0	10	49	40,721	-5.81%
	June	27,896	0	16,929	0	2	35	44,862	3.15%
	July	28,227	0	16,273	3	0	41	44,544	-0.79%
	August	26,401	0	17,139	0	78	30	43,648	8.00%
	September	26,726	0	17,466	0	76	41	44,309	7.04%

Morris County Transfer Stations Disposal Tonnage By Year
1988 - 2025

Year	MSW Type 10	Medical Type 10C	C & D Type 13	Vegetative Type 23	Animal Type 25	Industrial Type 27	Annual Total	Change from prior Year
1988	284,625	14,321	82,189	175	14	23,409	390,412	N/A
1989	284,311	9,918	77,463	235	8	24,985	387,002	-0.87%
1990	285,369	11,925	71,150	1	0	17,571	374,092	-3.34%
1991	268,518	10,569	56,669	0	0	15,780	340,967	-8.85%
1992	264,508	9,478	49,400	0	9	13,019	326,936	-4.12%
1993	256,777	7,579	46,560	0	0	11,037	314,373	-3.84%
1994	236,804	6,453	51,837	0	0	12,136	300,777	-4.32%
1995	213,752	4,988	42,437	0	0	10,865	267,054	-11.21%
1996	216,089	4,963	37,678	0	0	8,042	261,810	-1.96%
1997	213,857	5,133	34,460	0	0	7,231	255,548	-2.39%
1998	201,148	4,682	31,716	17	0	4,711	237,592	-7.03%
1999	255,101	4,779	45,134	63	0	5,498	305,796	28.71%
2000	301,594	7,471	82,013	52	0	6,950	390,609	27.74%
2001	313,366	8,979	109,363	12	11	7,690	430,441	10.20%
2002	317,172	7,851	117,540	48	40	7,159	441,958	2.68%
2003	334,220	7,065	120,950	70	41	6,428	461,707	4.47%
2004	339,477	6,944	137,278	51	30	6,435	483,270	4.67%
2005	342,913	6,881	144,719	103	28	6,253	494,015	2.22%
2006	341,697	7,203	141,152	120	55	6,711	489,736	-0.87%
2007	338,962	6,580	129,557	87	55	6,907	475,568	-2.89%
2008	312,919	6,616	107,761	104	72	5,554	426,410	-10.34%
2009	289,709	6,329	74,766	67	27	4,509	369,077	-13.45%
2010	284,374	6,619	76,893	8	43	4,743	366,061	-0.82%
2011	294,738	6,798	83,848	8	67	4,626	383,289	4.71%
2012	281,709	5,777	75,327	32	52	3,998	361,117	-5.78%
2013	282,404	439	91,360	24	49	2,988	376,825	4.35%
2014	277,969	0	100,061	1	70	4,656	382,757	1.57%
2015	280,538	0	100,319	6	46	2,011	382,920	0.04%
2016	280,362	0	103,671	1	28	1,787	385,849	0.76%
2017	282,461	0	112,195	3	16	1,464	396,139	2.67%
2018	293,263	0	122,893	2	26	819	417,004	5.27%
2019	295,613	0	132,021	0	4	812	428,450	2.75%
2020	286,619	0	127,713	0	0	768	415,100	-3.12%
2021	307,630	0	157,229	0	15	871	465,745	12.20%
2022	303,378	0	167,497	0	77	691	471,643	1.27%
2023	303,331	0	167,553	0	83	548	471,515	-0.03%
2024	307,183	0	168,922	0	161	536	476,803	1.12%
2025	304,392	0	172,177	0	105	542	477,215	0.09%



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Executive Summary

In September 2026, the preliminary single-stream recycling tip fee at Republic Services was negative \$79.06 per ton, \$2.97 more favorable than August's finalized rate of negative \$82.03. Fiber and metals remained firm while plastics stayed weak. Shared-service drafts remain with Boonton and Washington Township; Harding (depot collection) and Mendham Township (quarterly brush-container amendment) were added. Staff led the five-county MRC meeting on September 23 (more than 100 attendees) and the Clean Communities coordinator meeting on September 16 (46 attendees). The 2024 municipal tonnage-grant review found NJDEP under-reported about 1,394 tons in category 24 and over-reported 10,870.73 tons of disposal; a countywide correction was filed, with municipal responses due October 12. Marrone has been recommended for appointment to the NJDEP Plastics Advisory Council. 2027 curbside contract billings are forecast at \$2,589,107.61, plus \$170,544.24 for schools and \$106,168.06 for complexes.

Recycling Market and Operations Report Update

In September, the preliminary single-stream recycling rate with Republic Services was negative \$79.06 per ton, a \$2.97 increase in value from the previous month's finalized rate of negative \$82.03 per ton.

In September and early October, the Northeast recycling market shows a stark split between strengthening paper and metals markets and heavily depressed, stagnant plastic segments. Data forecasts show that different material types face very diverse demand pressures right now.

Fiber makes up nearly 50% of outbound tonnage at our Northeast Materials Recovery Facilities (MRFs), and its strong performance in the fall is vital to the region's recycling program finances, especially as paper and cardboard markets rebound. The paper sector has shown the strongest growth heading into October, despite previous mill closures and low-demand periods last year, indicating steady domestic mill interest. Regional mills are increasing mixed paper content in their packaging to reduce raw material costs, supporting municipal curbside programs. As for cardboard, the month-to-month price rise to \$95/ton as present, is mainly due to a significant domestic manufacturing investment boom, driven by large North American mill projects and expansions aimed at recycling fiber. This extra capacity creates a durable demand hub in the Northeast, protected from international market fluctuations, with current rates well above last year's \$62.50/ton level.

The post-consumer plastics industry faces oversupply and brand hesitation, especially in the Northeast, where high virgin plastics production clashes with stalled sustainability goals. In September, the NJDEP extended the food containers and packaging exemption under the state's Recycled Content Law from January 2027 to December 2029 because food-safe PCR technologies have limited scalability. This has led to canceled recycled-resin contracts and reduced purchasing intentions as reported by several groups in our area. Moreover, despite policy pressures, PET prices have flatlined, even as brands pledge more recycled content; low virgin PET prices lead brands to buy cheap, new plastics instead of recycled PET flakes. Additionally, Northeast MRFs are also absorbing high sorting costs without financial return. Natural HDPE can be dyed any color and is highly versatile, while colored HDPE's value is limited by pigment restrictions, keeping its worth low.

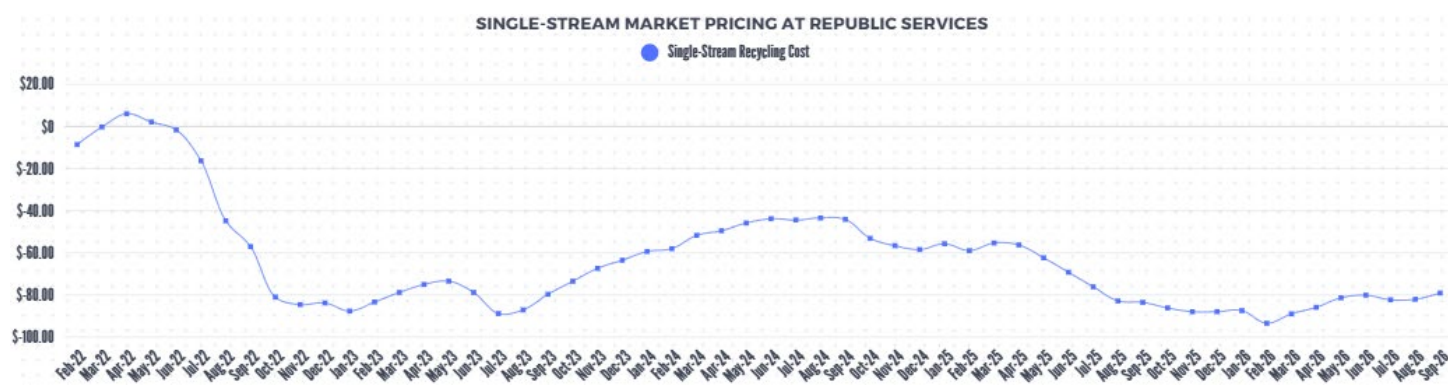
Scrap metals like steel and aluminum remain stable, driven by regional industrial demand and low inventories. Used beverage containers continue to command high prices, around 100 cents per pound, since May. Domestic aluminum mills have maintained aggressive buying to meet local manufacturing demands, making aluminum the most profitable curbside recycling item per pound. Steel cans also stay strong, averaging \$207.50

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per ton during this time. The regional scrap metal market is gaining momentum in fall, with experts predicting localized price increases due to structural supply shortages. Northeast steel mills are actively competing for limited scrap to support regional infrastructure, allowing MRFs to maximize profits through magnetic separation lines.

The market outlook for the remainder of 2026 across the Northeast recycling sector is a highly divided, “two-speed” market forecast. As we enter the final quarter (Q4) of the year, macroeconomic conditions are heavily favoring fiber, driven by mill demand and holiday packaging surges, and metals amid tight inventories and higher-than-average demand, while post-consumer plastics are expected to finish the year deeply depressed.



Monthly MCMUA single-stream recycling tip fees at Republic Services.

Ongoing Shared Service Agreements and Contract Activities

In September and October, Marrone and Chavanne continued follow-up conversations regarding the adoption of shared service agreements for the following towns and their respective contracts for their consideration:

- *Town of Boonton – Curbside and Depot Collection SSA Renewal.*
- *Township of Washington First Amendment to Depot Collection SSA – Scrap Metal Container Addition.*
- *Township of Harding – Depot Collection SSA.*
- *Township of Mendham – First Amendment to SSA – Brush Container Temporary Collection Event Addition on a Quarterly Basis.*
 - This amendment would include adding container services to their DPW yard for residential and municipal brush via temporary drop-off events, and the MCMUA transporting the material to one of our two vegetative waste recycling facilities.

Recycling/Clean Communities Education, Inspections, and Customer Service Support

Below are summaries of Recycling and Clean Communities’ projects, public outreach, and education programs in September 2026. Details regarding these activities are provided in a supplemental report.

Recycling and Clean Communities Projects, Public Outreach, Education, and Inspections:

- MCMUA, County Recycling Coordinator, and ANJR Joint Efforts
- MCMUA Assists in Shaping New Jersey’s County Food Waste Reduction Guidance Document
- MCMUA, NJDEP, and NJDA Work to Create Food Waste Recycling Regulatory Education
- MCMUA Plans for its Fifth MRC Meeting of the 2026 Calendar Year

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- MCMUA Sponsored Internship with Morris County's Higher Learning Institutions
- MCMUA Attends the Denville Farmer's Market and Educational Green Fair Event
- MCMUA Provides Recycling Education at the Parsippany Whole Foods Event
- MCMUA Attends and Networks at the 5th Annual Morris County Community Exchange Event
- MCMUA Participates in the Sustainability Fair of the Chatham
- Solid Waste Planning Division Assignment Update
- MCMUA Recycling Public Outreach Educational Materials and Efforts
- MCMUA Attends the Rutgers Certified Recycling Professionals Course
- MCMUA Attends the Rutgers Certified Clean Communities Coordinator Course

Solid Waste Planning Activities and Special Projects

MCMUA Presents at the NJ Association of County and City Health Officials on Food Waste:

On September 17, Marrone presented at the New Jersey Association of County and City Health Officials (NJACCHO) Large Forum, which gathered representatives from state, county, and large regional health departments. During the meeting, Marrone invited the nonprofit Share My Meals to introduce its service model and demonstrate how food rescue can be a valuable tool for these departments. The presentation, attended by a large audience, covered the new County Food Waste Planning Law signed in January, upcoming county food waste reduction goals, and ways public health departments can collaborate with municipal recycling teams to achieve the county's 50% reduction target. Since donations will play a significant role in reaching state diversion targets, Marrone emphasized the existing framework for towns to track recycling data and highlighted the benefits, including grant funding and increased recycling rates. He also discussed future county-municipality mandates focusing on food prevention, recovery, and recycling before disposal and introduced an optional food waste survey that health departments can include in annual license renewals to educate licensed food waste generators on the importance of donating excess food and recycling as needed. This survey not only serves an educational purpose but also requires businesses to report on food waste haulers and donations, including material estimates, so the municipal recycling coordinator can monitor progress and gather county data. Also, as part of this presentation, the MCMUA introduced our past and current ongoing projects, which aim to reduce food waste for further replication. The MCMUA was also asked to speak at several other meetings with organization partners, including the Morris Regional Public Health Partnership Meeting on Food Redirection on October 29 and the NJACCHO small health department forum on December 2.

Marrone Appointed to Serve on the State's Plastics Advisory Council:

In late August and again in September, Marrone was contacted by the NJDEP regarding serving on the [Plastics Advisory Council \(PAC\)](#) as a governor-appointed member. After a recent vacancy, several NJDEP members voiced their recommendation, with one stating they "strongly recommend Marrone for the Council, citing his strong experience and work in the field of solid waste and recycling", noting that Marrone would "bring valuable leadership, extensive experience, and a strong record of success to the PAC's work," and put forward his name to the governor's office for appointment. Marrone will represent the environmental community on behalf of the 21 County Recycling Coordinators and the Association of New Jersey Recyclers.

The "Get Past Plastic Law" created the 16-member PAC within the DEP. The PAC oversees the law's implementation and assesses its success in reducing single-use plastics and plastic waste across the state. It must

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also report on these efforts and suggest legislative or administrative improvements. Furthermore, the law mandates that the PAC study:

1. The environmental and public health impacts of single-use plastics and microplastics;
2. Healthy, environmentally friendly alternatives to single-use plastics;
3. Strategies and policies to boost plastics' recyclability and minimize their environmental entry;
4. The technological feasibility of increasing recycled content in consumer plastics and expanding plastic types produced from recycled materials;
5. Ways to promote markets for post-consumer recycled plastics, including state and local purchasing and procurement practices.

On September 28, Marrone met with several NJDEP and Council Members for an onboarding session to review expectations, goals, and next steps for further exploration. On October 14, Marrone will attend the next Policy Subcommittee meeting to review ongoing initiatives, and the Plastics Advisory Council General meeting on October 20 to align efforts on the committee's fourth-year report.

Municipal Tonnage Grant (MTG) 30-Day Audit 2024 Reporting Data Update:

On September 29, the NJDEP announced its initial data estimates for the 2024 municipal tonnage grant submissions. All towns have 30 days to review and verify their reports, with Municipal Recycling Coordinators instructed to compare their 2024 MTG-reported recycling and solid waste data against the state's figures. This year, the review period has been reduced to 20 days to facilitate faster grant disbursements to municipalities. While all municipalities are expected to review and inform the NJDEP of any discrepancies, the MCMUA reviewed data for all municipalities to identify overarching error trends in their calculations, as follows, to ensure the most accurate reporting for our County, as historic trends have shown that less than a quarter of our municipalities perform this check.

Municipal Recycling Total Review:

- Eight towns have no reporting errors according to our calculations.
- Five towns had large issues with their calculations that did not align with our MCMUA records. This could be a town or DEP reporting error; ultimately, these towns must correct any errors and were directed to do so once we brought the discrepancies to their attention.
- Twenty-six towns had issues with only the #24 category, "Other Material Not Listed." The #24 category is further broken down into "Fluorescent Lights", "Other Material Not Listed", Paints & Stains", and "Batteries (Dry Cell)." The NJDEP failed to report 3 of the 4 subcategories for #24.
 - It is estimated that the NJDEP overlooked as much as 1,394.00 tons in the #24 category, amounting to approximately \$181.22 at the REA rate of \$0.13 per ton.
 - This does not include statistics for the five towns with major reporting issues but would result in even higher grant payouts if found conclusive.
 - These twenty-six towns were also notified of these errors and instructed to inform the DEP directly of any further notes they find.

Municipal Disposal Total Review:

The MCMUA cross-referenced NJDEP-reported solid waste totals with the MCMUA Transfer station data and found that DEP overreported 10,870.73 tons of solid waste in 2024, with Morristown and Parsippany showing the largest reported differences of 1,137.04 and 1,365.32 tons. The less trash reported, the higher the

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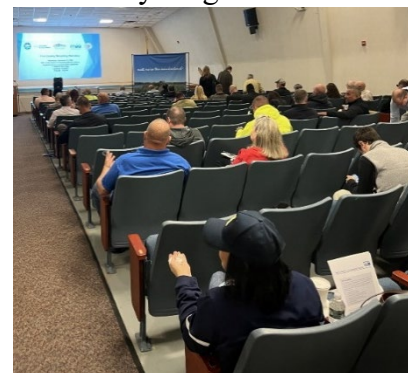
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recycling rates will be for municipalities and, therefore, for Morris County. The MCMUA has requested the DEP disposal data to cross-check their information for accuracy, as done in previous years.

As previously noted, while we expect our Morris County municipalities to submit their noted changes, the MCMUA has submitted a detailed, countywide response covering the aforementioned solid waste and recycling discrepancies to the Bureau of Planning and Licensing for review. To date, only three municipalities have copied the MCMUA on their responses, noting their issues as the October 12 deadline approaches.

MCMUA Hosts its Fourth MRC Meeting of the 2026 Calendar Year:

On September 23, the MCMUA, along with four other counties: Bergen, Essex, Hudson, and Passaic, held their regional recycling coordinator meeting at the NJSEA, located at 1 DeKorte Park Plaza in Lyndhurst, NJ 07071, in the auditorium of the former environmental center. The meeting brought together over 100 municipal, county, and state recycling professionals and provided a full day of solid waste and recycling education and resources. The MCMUA handled all preparation work, organization, moderation, paperwork, state-mandated summaries, and cataloging for the event, as well as applying for credits for its participation. Speakers included the NJDEP, which discussed updates on the new County Food Waste Planning Law/Tiered Composting, the Scrap Tire Recycling Law, E-Waste Reporting Forms, and the Single-Use Utensil and Condiment Law. Updates were also provided on the status of current recycling markets and pending legislation, ANJR updates, a presentation from the Flooring Foundation about its new recycling facility in Somerset County, information on food waste recycling programs from Montclair and Leonia Townships, and a report from the Meadowlands Environmental Commission on school field trips and programs, followed by a tour of the Environmental Center grounds led by their on-site teaching staff. With the recycling coordinators from two other counties leaving their positions before the meeting, Morris led the event activities and ensured it was successful. Next year's meeting will be held at the Passaic County Public Safety Academy in Wayne in the spring of 2027.



MCMUA Presents at the Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions Annual Symposium:

On September 25, the Solid Waste Planning Division attended the ANJEC 2026 Environmental Congress at Rutgers University, New Brunswick. The event started with remarks from NJDEP Commissioner Potosnak, who provided environmental updates from the Sherrill administration. The day featured workshops on environmental protection, sustainability, regulatory issues, and water quality, along with examples of projects from environmental commissions statewide. Three Morris County municipalities, Morristown, Morris Township, and Mendham Township, attended and participated in discussions. During the "Environmental Advocacy Tools" session, Dolan discussed current food waste issues, the new county law promoting food waste diversion, municipal actions to reduce waste, and her successful food waste drop-off program pilot, which she developed as a member of Morristown's Environmental Commission. Presenting through ANJEC allowed Dolan and



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the MCMUA to connect with regional environmental commission members, positioning the MCMUA as a resource for food waste diversion and fostering partnerships for outreach and broader diversion efforts. Following the presentation, Marrone and Dolan have a follow-up meeting with ANJEC scheduled for October 16 to explore potential collaborations and how ANJEC can support municipal waste reduction in Morris and beyond.

2026 MCMUA Enhances Partnerships with Morris County Environmental Commissions:

Since announcing the five winning municipalities in our Recycling Enhancement Mini-Grant awards for Environmental Commissions, our awardees have been actively pursuing their waste diversion objectives. Throughout September, Marrone regularly consulted with recipients, offering guidance and support. Marrone and Dolan collaborated to engage additional county municipalities about mini-grant opportunities, narrowing focus and funding toward four new grants for projects with innovative ideas. Dolan also built on last month's research and the county-wide Environmental Commission listing by connecting with individuals who can take on leadership roles in those volunteer roles. These interactions will inform upcoming Environmental Commission case studies, a spring 2027 gathering for environmental commissions to share ideas, and the development of a sustainability hub with biannual meetings for environmental commission and green team members in a more regular format. Meanwhile, Dolan continues partnering with other Environmental Commissions and Green Teams across the county to explore collaborations and establish shared goals.

Solid Waste Planning Division Develops its End-of-Year and 2027 Calendar Year Plan:

In September and October, the Division began preparing and planning its 2027 calendar, covering special projects, grant commitments, regulatory outlooks, and shared service obligations. Marrone and Chavanne also updated the billing sheets the Finance Department uses for the remainder of 2026 and forecast 2027 rate increases, including specifications to streamline billing. These sheets include all current contracts, broken down into monthly and annual payments, additional fees, mailing addresses, contract expirations, and additional notes. Staff also created one large file that includes all 2027 contracts to accommodate contracts whose contract year changes mid-year. By the numbers, the MCMUA can expect the annual municipal curbside contracts to total ~\$2,589,107.61. This does not include marketing costs or costs per pull at recycling depots or events and may change as contracts develop. Schools with contracts account for an additional \$170,544.24, and complexes account for \$106,168.06 in 2027. Other entities the MCMUA is contracted with do not have a lump-sum annual cost and are based on pulls per year. These are not included in these figures.

Morris County Clean Communities Program

New Jersey Clean Communities Council Best Practices Committee:

In September, Chavanne, a member of the NJCCC Best Practices Committee, collaborated with other committee members throughout the month to review and update the Council's website. Over the coming months, the NJCCC plans a comprehensive overhaul of the NJClean.org website, aiming to complete it in mid-October to align with the graduation of the new Clean Communities Coordinator certification cohort. Chavanne specifically revised part of the litter cleanup webpage on NJClean.org, fixing broken links and photographs, adding NJDEP information on illegal dumping, and including their reporting hotline. Additionally, Chavanne developed a general Clean Communities Coordinator Handbook and an Excel-based statistical report expenditure tracker to be added to the site for statewide use, along with other games and resources for coordinators. Marrone and

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Chavanne also collaborated to update resources such as assemblies, presentations, and field trip vendor examples so coordinators can use grant funding for program education.

MCMUA Hosts its Annual In-Person Clean Communities Coordinator Meeting:

On September 16, the MCMUA held its annual in-person Clean Communities meeting at the Kean Skylands Campus in Oak Ridge. Forty-six people attended, mostly Morris County municipal coordinators, with some from outside the county seeking to enhance their own programs. The event featured an overview of the Morris County Program, updates, related resources, a review of the revised website, a campus tour, and discussions on its history and educational initiatives. Part of the meeting focused on the new “[Single-Use Utensil and Condiment Law](#),” which bans food service businesses from providing single-use utensils and condiments under certain conditions and requires DEP to run an education campaign to promote reducing these items. Several speakers presented, including Q-Star Technologies on anti-littering and illegal dumping prevention, GOATOTE on their reusable bag initiative, the New Jersey School of Conservation on water pollution prevention, and the Kean University Students Sustainability Squad on their outreach and sustainability efforts. The meeting concluded with updates from the NJ Clean Communities Council’s program, led by the Executive Director, highlighting their new “Love Where You Learn” campaign to cut litter in schools, and Chavanne sharing new educational resources for the upcoming grant cycle. Attendees, both local and from outside Morris County, held the training in high regard and responded positively.



Statistical Report Submission Update:

On September 14, the NJCCC provided the county coordinators with the updated list of submitted and outstanding Clean Communities statistical report submissions to date. So far, 32 out of 39 Morris County municipalities have submitted their 2025 reports. Chavanne continues to work with the seven municipalities that still need to submit their reports, as well as several others with outstanding past reports. Notably, two of the towns' coordinators told us they cannot submit reports because their municipalities have not cooperated in providing data. Chavanne and the NJCCC’s Executive Director plan to conduct targeted outreach in mid to late October to tackle this challenge. Moreover, a majority of our towns have now regained compliance with the NJCCC program by submitting reports from 2022-2025. The goal is to ensure all towns understand their reporting responsibilities and adhere to guidelines for the 2026 grant submission, further improving reporting rates.

New NJCCC Guideline for Reusable Bag Collection and Reuse Campaigns:

Governor Murphy signed S-3511 on July 22, 2025. This law, designated as [P.L. 2025 c. 106](#), permanently allocates \$500,000 annually from the “Clean Communities Program Fund” to the Department of Environmental Protection to support public outreach on reducing single-use plastics. The fund gathers money from fees paid by manufacturers, wholesalers, distributors, and retailers of litter-producing products, along with penalties and voluntary donations. Initially, these funds helped finance education and law enforcement for the single-use plastics ban until 2023, including a bag redistribution program that collects reusable bags for redistribution to

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food banks, pantries, and food programs. The law took effect immediately, and in spring 2026, the NJCCC and NJDEP broadened their Clean Communities spending guidelines to include bag collection and reuse programs as eligible expenses. This change followed the high volume of discarded reusable bags. Several municipalities, such as Montville, have already initiated bag reuse programs, often linking them with events like shredding drives to boost participation. The MCMUA is exploring funding a temporary event or fixed collection point at the Interfaith Food Pantry and resource center in Parsippany now that recycling options for bags unsuitable for donation are emerging with several vendors.

Morris County Clean Communities Sponsored County Roadway Cleanup(s):

In September, the Morris County Clean Communities Litter Abatement Program continued its efforts to remove litter from county roads, collaborating with the contractor Adopt-A-Highway. Throughout the month, Division Team Members conducted on-road searches in several areas previously identified as having increased litter. The team evaluated and marked several roadway sections for potential future cleanups. On October 2, the team cleared litter around the Parsippany Transfer Station and nearby roads, with 6 volunteers covering 2.5 miles. They collected 40 bags of trash and 17 bags of recyclables. They also disposed of about 51 pounds of miscellaneous materials, including large quantities of litter such as wooden pallets, rigid plastics, Styrofoam pieces, ceiling tiles, a pot planter, and carpets.



Recycling/Clean Communities Education, Inspections, and Customer Service Support September 2026

This report details the Morris County Municipal Utilities Authority's (MCMUA) Recycling and Clean Communities education programs, inspections, and customer service support efforts during September 2026. This supplements the Recycling Coordinator's Report for the MCMUA's October 2026 Board Meeting.

Recycling and Clean Communities Projects, Public Outreach, Education, and Inspections

MCMUA, County Recycling Coordinator, and the New Jersey Association of New Jersey Recyclers (ANJR) Joint Efforts:

ANJR Board Member, New Professionals Network, Planning, and Legislative Subcommittee Efforts:

In September, Marrone, chair of the ANJR "New Professionals Network" subcommittee, met with members to plan educational opportunities. The group continued coordinating visits to recycling facilities across the state to meet MRCs' tonnage grant requirements. On September 29, the group held a successful tour of the Circular Services MRF in Jersey City, focusing on recovery, glass processing, and barge transport. Chavanne attended, along with other county and municipal recycling professionals and private partners. Another tour of Ocean County's MRF in Lakewood, operated by Atlantic Coast Recycling, is scheduled for October 16, with more tours planned. A tour of Interstate Waste Services' (IWS's) MRF in North Arlington is being scheduled for later this year.

Regarding the Planning subcommittee, Marrone continued work with Atlantic County's recycling coordinator to revise the ANJR website, www.ANJR.com, to provide relevant information. Together, a working group was formed to compile educational information and suggest changes for the new site before it moves to a new hosting company. A follow-up meeting is scheduled for later in the month to review the team's work and advance efforts after the new developer, under contract to carry over all current information to the new platform, makes the preliminary changes. Additionally, Marrone and ANJR worked together to plan and finalize this year's fall symposium and NJDEP awards luncheon on October 28. The agenda includes NJDEP and legislative updates, recycling education basics, adaptation of smart technology in the solid waste industry, EPR compliance, and market and industry updates.

For the legislative subcommittee, Marrone collaborated with members throughout the month to monitor relevant bills, work with PSI and the ANJR management firm, and coordinate with other subcommittee members. After the summer slump, the legislature is back in session, and the Senate Environment and Energy Committee will consider 10 bills, with an 11th up for discussion at its Committee Meeting on Thursday, October 8, 2026. ANJR representatives will testify on behalf of several bills. The following bills of note to be considered are:

- [S676](#) (Smith/McKeon) - Requires a filtration system to capture microfibers and microplastics on washing machines sold on or after January 1, 2030.
- [S681](#) (Smith/Vitale) - "Electronic Cigarette Extended Producer Responsibility Act," would require producers of electronic cigarettes and their component parts to form a producer responsibility

organization (PRO) and develop and implement a plan to provide for the sound disposal of e-cigarettes.

- [S2359](#) (McKeon) - "Mattress Stewardship Act;" requires mattress producers to join a stewardship organization and implement a mattress stewardship program.
- [S4656](#) (Smith) - "Protect our Health from Plastics Act."
 - This newly introduced bill would require plastic producers to reduce packaging annually and ban certain toxic substances, and must register with the NJDEP, pay fees, and report production levels as a baseline, with a goal of a 50% reduction in 10 years. The bill bans packaging with toxic substances like antimony, arsenic, and cadmium, and directs the NJDEP to prohibit 10 more within five years, with reviews every three years.

On September 22, Marrone and Clenord participated in the ANJR Legislative Committee meeting to review [P.L. 2025, c.389](#), which introduces a new statewide scrap tire management program. The law requires all scrap tire haulers to obtain a license from the Department. Facilities that store, collect, or dispose of scrap tires must also obtain permits and maintain a manifest for reporting purposes, submitting specific documentation each month to the Department. While some exemptions exist, they do not cover most government programs that collect littered tires or certain recycling initiatives, making compliance burdensome for municipal and county programs and may lead to discontinuation without legal revisions. Additionally, the "Motor Vehicle Tire Fee" continues to impose a \$1.50 charge on new tire sales, with revenues intended for a dedicated "Tire Management and Cleanup Fund" managed by DEP. However, the DOT has diverted these funds to snow removal instead of their designated purpose. DEP Solid Waste aims to reverse this shift, especially considering the new law and potential funding needs for programs that might shut down. ANJR plans to lobby for an amendment to fully exempt government entities, as this was not initially considered.

MCMUA Attends and Presents at the Third County Recycling Coordinator & Monthly ANJR Board Meeting – Ocean County Recycling Complex:

On September 15, Marrone attended the County Recycling Coordinator meeting and the ANJR Board meeting in Ocean County. The County Coordinator meeting covered topics like the REA grant, municipal tonnage grants, legislative updates, and NJDEP information. A key focus was N.J.S.A. 13:1E-227.1 et seq., which mandates solid waste districts to create strategies to reduce food waste by 50% by 2035, with plans due to NJDEP by January 12, 2028. Morris County shared its recent initiatives and its completed food rescue assessment. Presenters included the NJ Department of Agriculture on farm food waste management; the NJ Food Security Advocate on food donations; NJDEP on laws including the County Food Waste Planning Law and tire recycling; and updates on e-waste and polypropylene recycling. The agenda also featured a general coordinator discussion. Marrone and Middlesex County's Principal Planner proposed more regular meetings beyond the three annual in-person sessions, including additional virtual ones to be discussed. The next meeting is scheduled for October 20 and will focus on strategies to reduce food waste in our Administrative Actions and discuss multi-family recycling.

At the ANJR meeting immediately after, attendees discussed member outreach, upcoming events, market reports, committee efforts, work with the New Professionals Committee, and additional legislative updates. The group focused on [P.L. 2025, c.389](#), which establishes a new statewide scrap tire management program, and the need to revise it with governmental entities and littered tires.

MCMUA Assists in Shaping New Jersey's County Food Waste Reduction Guidance Document:

On September 29, Marrone and representatives from all 21 counties convened for a second working session focused on funding needs to fulfill New Jersey's food waste mandate and on follow-up steps to develop a guidance document. Hosted by Rutgers University and the New Jersey Composting Council, this meeting was part of an initiative supported by an NJDEP REA Higher Education Grant. The grant aims to help counties and stakeholders update their solid waste management plans to include food waste reduction and recycling, in line with the new legislation. Key issues discussed included concerns from several counties about losing revenue from food waste disposal, as the new mandate might divert waste from their facilities and decrease disposal income. Additionally, without extra state capital to support this law, progress may be slow, with a focus on education, prevention, and donation, since recycling infrastructure is currently limited. At least two counties, including Sussex County with Waste Connections, have begun partnering with businesses to develop regional Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) plants that capture biogas from organic waste and convert it into pipeline-quality biomethane. The discussion also emphasized the need for the DEP to relax regulations to promote infrastructure growth, such as permits for community garden composting and municipal food waste drop-off points, which are currently regulatory gray areas. Overall, the meeting provided an important platform for leading waste reduction and recycling officials in the state to collaborate on common goals. The insights and outcomes from this session will guide Rutgers and the Composting Council in creating the guidance document and providing essential resources to achieve these objectives.

MCMUA, NJDEP, and NJDA Work to Create Food Waste Recycling Regulatory Education:

After the County Food Waste Planning Law was signed in January, Marrone researched existing and upcoming food waste regulations. Collaborating with County Coordinators and State Agencies to develop a guidance document clarifying regulations and promoting collaboration, Marrone launched our mini-grant program for municipal environmental commissions, which raised questions about compliance, expanding drop-off sites, managing micro haulers, residential pickups, and disposal locations. Marrone engaged with NJDEP officials and the NJ Department of Agriculture to understand regulations related to the "Right-to-Farm Act," farmland preservation, and farm food waste. He also coordinated with Middlesex County, Rutgers, and the NJ Composting Council to include findings in the County Food Waste Planning Guidance Document. Discussions revealed limited awareness of food waste activities, especially municipal drop-off programs expanding into towns and private locations. Towns requested clearer guidance, which Marrone communicated to state agencies. The growth of food waste recycling uncovered issues with a micro hauler delivering material to an unpermitted farm for composting and feeding food scraps to animals without permits, raising regulatory concerns. It became clear that Departments need to collaborate to understand current operations, develop educational materials, and amend regulations to support or restrict efforts to meet state recycling goals. Marrone organized a forum on September 2 with Department representatives, the Morris County Division of Public Health, and MCMUA, emphasizing collaboration and education. Each department shared expertise, leading to discussions on program improvements. NJDEP and NJDA announced they will form a working group and scheduled a follow-up meeting for September 29. At the September 29 meeting, all parties presented current projects and future goals related to the need for clearer guidelines and a compliance advisory to support program expansion and advance food waste recycling. The DEP and the DA will continue their joint work and provide the Counties with updates when they become available. Marrone will continue to work alongside their efforts and keep both parties on track with their stated goals. Marrone is also compiling a list of food waste micro haulers for the NJDEP to help understand this network of individuals and their operations.

MCMUA Plans for its Fifth MRC Meeting of the 2026 Calendar Year:

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In September and October, Marrone continued planning the final MRC meeting of the year, to be held on October 21 and to include tours of the MCMUA's Mount Olive Transfer Station, Household Hazardous Waste Facility, and Mount Olive Vegetative Waste Recycling Facility. These visits aim to give MRCs and municipal partners a clearer understanding of MCMUA operations and how each site handles waste and recycling. The meeting will also include training to ensure participants are well informed about operations, enabling them to help residents with questions about these programs after seeing them in action.

MCMUA Sponsored Internship with Morris County's Higher Learning Institutions:

On August 3, the Solid Waste Planning Division welcomed Julia Glenn as its newest intern for the 2026-2027 school year. The internship program requires students to complete 120 hours with the partner agency. In September, Glenn interned with us one day per week, reaching her 35-hour mark by the end of the month. By then, she had worked with Ouellette to create a capstone project involving educational modules on stormwater education and protection, as well as waste reduction education, while also supporting the MCMUA's school-based learning activities with guidance from the Division team. Glenn also created a game for elementary- to middle-school-aged students that can be played in the classroom and would complement a classroom presentation on waste reduction and recycling, which Glenn and Ouellette are currently creating. After a strong introduction to the MCMUA and knowledge of our programs, gained by shadowing at several outreach events and through independent research and training by MCMUA staff, her next quarter will focus on completing educational materials for presentations followed by reaching out to schools to conduct joint education with Ouellette for various school groups around the county. At the conclusion of her internship, she will present her work at an upcoming Morris County Coordinator meeting.

On October 2, Marrone and Ouellette, along with Glenn, hosted a scheduled site visit from the Work Based Learning Coordinator for the Morris County Vocational School District (MCVSD) to check on her learning progress at our site and learn about her internship plans for the remainder of the year. The MCMUA reviewed her work plan and outlined her past, present, and future goals. The MCVSD was excited to hear about her progress and the education she had already received as part of her internship. The school's next check-in will be prior to the end of the year.

MCMUA Attends the Denville Farmer's Market and Educational Green Fair Event:

On September 13, Ouellette and Chavanne tabled at the Denville Farmer's Market in downtown Denville. Despite subpar weather, the public still attended, and the event served as an environmental resource for community members. At the event, the MCMUA educated the public on recycling and proper waste disposal while providing educational materials/giveaways. The MCMUA also networked with members of the town's green team on possible partnerships and with fellow vendors.

MCMUA Provides Recycling Education at the Parsippany Whole Foods Employee Appreciation Event.

On September 14, Ouellette, Clenord, and intern Glenn staffed a booth at Parsippany Whole Foods during their Staff Appreciation Day. Before the event, Ouellette and Clenord visited the store to understand its recycling logistics. During the walkthrough, they learned about the store's back-end recycling efforts, including their haulers' specifications for commercial composting, garbage, and recycling. The store also participates in plastic film recycling and food donation programs. With this information, Ouellette and Clenord customized their outreach materials and questions to meet the store's needs. The main activity was a prize-and-question wheel,

where participants answered waste-related questions to win giveaways. Incorrect answers created opportunities for further education. The event drew a strong crowd and provided education not only at the Parsippany location but also to participants at other stores. This was the second tabling event for our intern Glenn, gaining practice and experience in outreach and public speaking.

MCMUA Attends and Networks at the 5th Annual Morris County Community Exchange Event:

On September 18, the MCMUA was invited by the Executive Director of the New Jersey Office of the Food Security Advocate (NJOFSa) to participate in the 5th annual Morris County Community Exchange Event at Executive Drive in Parsippany, near the Interfaith Food Pantry and the Morris County Nonprofit Mall on Central Avenue. The invitation came as Marrone and NJOFSa Executive Director Mark Dinglasan discussed possible partnerships ahead of strengthening County efforts to donate and recover food under the food waste planning law. Ouellette and Civitella attended the event, which featured over 45 service providers dedicated to community aid, to share information with public officials and build connections with community leaders so residents can access assistance when needed. Dinglasan was the keynote speaker and delivered an inspiring speech on food security. Ouellette and Civitella attended to gain a comprehensive understanding of local resources, which will help the MCMUA incorporate these into our recommendations for food donation. Notably, all participating groups received the MCMUA food waste resource guide Civitella curated, and the event provided an opportunity to network and hand out our food rescue report. Continued conversations with Dinglasan will develop over the next few months.

MCMUA Participates in the Sustainability Fair of the Chatham's:

On September 19, Clenord and Wilson attended the annual Sustainability Fair hosted by the Environmental Commission/Green Team for both the Township and Borough of Chatham. The event had a good turnout of participants and vendors. With the MCMUA represented, the table featured educational recycling and disposal information for Chatham, along with decals and other giveaways for those who chose to test their recycling knowledge. With the MCMUA collecting recyclables from both municipalities, the event allowed us to interact with the public and answer questions directly. After the event, the Environmental Commission for the Borough sent the MCMUA a thank-you letter for their participation and the education they provided to residents.



Solid Waste Planning Division Assignment Update:

Due to recent personnel changes within the MCMUA and other departments, the Solid Waste Planning Division is now responsible for entering daily curbside recycling tickets into the Paradigm system. Clenord will primarily perform this task, with Ouellette as her backup. Throughout the month, the Division received training on the Paradigm software and learned how to manage curbside recycling tickets. This training aimed to ensure a smooth transition of duties and maintain operational continuity amid personnel changes within the Administration. The session covered ticket management, procedures, follow-up actions, and routine tasks, clarifying roles, setting expectations, and answering questions to ensure continuous ticket processing.

MCMUA Recycling Public Outreach Educational Materials and Efforts:

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In September, Chavanne and Ouellette developed a Litter & Recycling Bingo game ahead of this month's Clean Communities Meeting. The game is designed for residents and children at events to encourage them to identify litter in their communities. This interactive approach raises awareness about litter and helps residents pay closer attention to cleanliness issues in their neighborhoods.



MCMUA Attends the Rutgers Certified Recycling Professionals Course:

Dolan, Clenord, and Ouellette began the Certified Recycling Professional certification course and completed the first two class days. Day 1 included a primer introducing the course and core recycling concepts, along with training on safety precautions for working around recycling and solid waste operations. Day 2 covered recycling contamination and quality inspection, NJDEP compliance inspections, recycling exemptions, and waste audits, giving a clearer understanding of the regulatory framework behind inspections.

MCMUA Attends the Rutgers Certified Clean Communities Coordinator Course:

In September, Deacon, Dolan, Clenord, and Ouellette completed a three-day NJ Clean Communities Coordinator Certification course. The NJ Clean Communities Council offered the program in partnership with Rutgers' Office of Continuing Professional Education. It included online sessions on September 10 and 17, and an in-person session on September 30 at the Rutgers EcoComplex in Bordentown. The training covered topics such as community cleanups, program guidelines, statistical reporting, grant management, enforcement, and public education on litter abatement. Participants also collaborated on a class project to complete their certification. In addition to the MCMUA, several other Morris County CCCs enrolled in the class. With this certification, all Planning Division Members are now certified coordinators registered with the program.

Morris County Curbside Recycling Program - Material Collected for 2026

2026 Tons by Month by Material

Material	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Commingled Bottles and Cans	5.7	2.4	5.5	3.7	4.1	6.0	4.7	4.9	3.3				40.4
Corrugated Cardboard	11.7	10.9	7.2	13.8	8.7	14.1	13.1	16.0	11.5				106.8
Mixed Paper	2.6	2.8	4.7	3.0	3.0	3.8	5.9	3.9	2.9				32.6
Rigid Plastic	1.9	0.8	6.5	10.4	6.3	10.1	6.0	10.5	5.8				58.3
Scrap Metal	3.4	0.0	2.3	6.9	2.4	4.1	7.6	11.1	3.9				41.7
Single Stream	901.6	728.1	921.4	847.0	802.6	942.5	938.8	832.4	873.1				7,787.5
Total	926.8	745.0	947.6	884.9	826.9	980.6	976.1	878.8	900.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	8,067.1

2026 Tons by Month by Customer

Customer	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	2026 Total	2025 Year to Date
Boonton (Town of)	97.5	70.9	69.8	73.6	69.8	69.9	105.0	80.5	79.0				715.9	722.7
Boonton Township	43.9	26.3	32.2	27.6	28.4	31.5	44.5	30.1	25.3				289.9	298.7
Chatham Borough	102.2	71.5	72.7	68.3	90.1	76.9	89.4	70.6	75.6				717.2	755.8
Chatham Township	110.3	61.2	63.7	69.5	66.3	69.4	96.7	72.0	75.4				684.6	703.8
Chester Borough	12.5	11.1	10.2	14.3	10.4	12.0	14.0	11.7	17.3				113.5	112.9
East Hanover Township	69.9	66.4	77.6	74.6	73.7	83.5	96.2	68.7	69.2				679.7	708.5
Florham Park Borough	81.0	62.1	71.6	101.7	73.4	68.6	67.4	67.7	70.8				664.3	655.4
Hanover Township	111.1	85.3	142.6	94.0	94.5	112.7	98.8	94.2	142.3				975.5	979.1
Long Hill Township	44.1	53.7	68.0	65.1	64.5	104.2	64.4	61.5	64.1				589.5	641.1
Mendham Township	41.6	48.9	82.4	55.1	43.4	88.9	55.9	70.8	51.7				538.7	536.6
Morris Plains Borough	54.9	46.0	64.5	56.2	51.8	62.4	51.6	48.4	63.4				499.0	488.3
Mt Arlington Borough	5.2	0.0	2.8	1.9	5.4	4.1	2.1	6.6	4.2				32.2	38.2
Netcong Borough	20.4	19.4	25.3	24.3	21.2	31.2	24.0	25.1	21.7				212.4	222.6
Rockaway Borough	39.7	38.6	50.1	42.0	42.3	62.6	46.1	41.1	41.6				404.1	408.3
Roxbury Township	14.6	9.9	14.5	10.9	10.9	16.2	12.6	13.6	11.4				114.7	134.2
Washington Township	6.3	2.7	0.0	7.7	2.7	4.6	0.0	7.0	2.3				33.3	30.7
Wharton Borough	43.1	41.3	69.9	52.8	51.8	50.3	61.1	71.7	53.7				495.5	461.4
Other Customers	28.5	29.7	29.6	45.4	26.5	31.8	46.5	37.6	31.5				307.2	272.3
Total	926.8	745.0	947.6	884.9	826.9	980.6	976.1	878.8	900.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	8,067.1	8,170.6

Previous Five Year-to-Date Totals

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2025	1,025.7	792.2	845.3	893.7	904.3	970.3	978.2	844.3	916.6				8,170.6
2024	1,127.1	843.5	873.4	947.1	947.1	918.0	986.1	933.5	902.6				8,478.4
2023	1,096.4	793.8	972.2	858.9	937.4	1,004.9	935.6	985.4	951.9				8,536.4
2022	1,082.3	883.5	1,042.1	1,001.9	1,016.2	1,132.8	930.8	1,030.6	1,084.1				9,204.3
2021	1,145.7	907.2	1,173.2	1,141.8	1,047.7	1,189.0	1,076.7	1,087.6	1,144.6				9,913.3

Previous Five Years' Totals

Year	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2025	1,025.7	792.2	845.3	893.7	904.3	970.3	978.2	844.3	916.6	893.9	806.6	1,105.9	10,977.0
2024	1,127.1	843.5	873.4	947.1	947.1	918.0	986.1	933.5	902.6	925.0	867.4	1,166.2	11,437.0
2023	1,096.4	793.8	972.2	858.9	937.4	1,004.9	935.6	985.4	951.9	937.1	918.2	1,058.3	11,449.9
2022	1,082.3	883.5	1,042.1	1,001.9	1,016.2	1,132.8	930.8	1,030.6	1,084.1	942.2	1,016.5	1,177.8	12,340.8
2021	1,145.7	907.2	1,173.2	1,141.8	1,047.7	1,189.0	1,076.7	1,087.6	1,144.6	1,021.2	1,110.2	1,195.9	13,240.7



Minutes of Previous Meeting
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Solid Waste Coordinator
Recycling Coordinator
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